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COMMENT OF THE DAY

Welcome News

EARLIER this week it was officially announced that Sir Alexander Grantham was to serve a further two years' term as Governor of Hongkong. This is indeed welcome news. The Colony has had to surrender the efficient services of its Colonial Secretary, Mr Nichol, whose talents are to be utilised in a higher office, and it is a matter of considerable relief that in these anything but easy times we are able to retain the wise guidance and fine leadership of Sir Alexander, who has been our Governor for just over four and a half years. It has been a period of varying fortunes for Hongkong. Under Sir Alexander the Colony continued its striking post-war rehabilitation, the foundations of which were laid during the British Military Administration and the twelve months in which Sir Mark Young was Governor. The restoration and consolidation of Hongkong's domestic economy excited admiration, and even a little envy, in other parts of the Far East; its skilful employment of law and order has been lauded by numberless visitors; its industrial development has astonished and gratified even the local populace; the Colony's finances have never been more solid.

NEVERTHELESS, progress could not have been so rapid if the Colony's Administration had fallen short in vision and action, or had itself been denied the necessary leadership and example from its chief executive. Hongkong has come to appreciate the qualities of its Governor during the past four years—as an administrator devoted to his responsibilities and as one who possesses an unfailing regard for, and interest in, the welfare of the Colony. The importance of the extension of Sir Alexander Grantham's tour of duty here is that it ensures continuance of sound administration allied with a sympathetic appreciation of the needs and problems of the Colony. Our economic condition today, created wholly by external factors, gives cause for concern; the danger of mass unemployment in certain industries is very real; merchandising is confronted with new problems. Yet the resiliency of Hongkong has too often been demonstrated to warrant pessimism and given the leadership which the community has come to expect from its Governor and his advisers the well-being and prosperity of Hongkong will be maintained.

CHURCHILL'S TRIBUTE TO THE KING

Late Monarch's Life Of Simple Dignity

MANLY VIRTUES AND A SENSE OF DUTY

London, Feb. 7.

Mr Winston Churchill, the Prime Minister, in a broadcast tonight paid tribute to King George VI who "walked with death as if death were a companion, an acquaintance whom he recognised and did not fear."

Mr Churchill added, "In the end death came as a friend, and after a happy day of sunshine and sport, after good night to those who loved him best, he fell asleep as every man or woman who strives to fear God and nothing else may hope to do."

Mr Churchill, speaking with obvious feeling, concluded with a moving reference to the new Queen:

"Famous have been the reigns of our queens. Now that we have the second Queen Elizabeth also ascending the Throne in her twenty-sixth year, our thoughts are carried back nearly four hundred years to the magnificent figure who presided over and, in many ways, embodied the grandeur and vitality of the Elizabethan Age."

Mr Churchill said:

"When the death of the King was announced to us yesterday morning there struck a deep and solemn note in our lives which, as it resounded far and wide, stilled the clatter and traffic of Twentieth Century life in many lands, and made countless millions of human beings pause and look around them.

"A new sense of values took possession of human minds and mortal existence presented itself to so many at the same moment in its serenity and its sorrow, in its splendour and in its pain, in its fortitude and in its suffering.

"The King was dearly loved by all his peoples and respected as a man and as a Prince, far beyond the many realms over which he reigned.

"The simple dignity of his life, his manly virtues, his sense of duty—alike as ruler and servant of the vast spheres for which he bore responsibility—his gay charm and happy nature, his example as a husband and a father in his own family circle, his courage in war or peace — all these were aspects of his character which won the glint of admiration, now here, now there, from the innumerable eyes whose gaze falls upon the Throne.

"We thought of him so faithful in his study and in charge of State affairs; so uplifted above the clash of party politics yet so attentive to them; so wise and shrewd in judging between what matters and what does not.

MODEL CONDUCT

"His conduct on the Throne may be a model and a guide to constitutional sovereigns throughout the world today and also to future generations.

"He was sustained by the sincerity of his Christian faith. During these last months the King walked with death as if death were a companion, an acquaintance, whom he recognised and did not fear. In the end death came as a friend, and after a happy day of sunshine and sport, after good night to those who loved him best, he fell asleep as every man or woman who strives to fear God and nothing else may hope to do.

"The nearer one stood to him the more these facts were apparent. Every home in all the realms joined together under the Crown may draw comfort for tonight and strength for the future from his bearing and fortitude.

"There was another tie between King George and his people. Dear to the hearts and the homes of the people is the joy and pride of a united family. No family in these tumultuous times was happier or loved one another more than the Royal Family around the King."

Continuing, Mr Churchill said that during the war the King "was kept informed of every secret matter and the care and thoroughness with which he mastered the immense daily flow of State papers made a deep mark on my mind.

WAR EPISODE

"On one of the days when Buckingham Palace was bombed the King had just returned from Windsor. The opposite side of the courtyard was struck and if the windows out of which he and the Queen were looking had not been, by the mercy of God, open, they would have both been blinded by the broken glass. I never heard of this episode till some time after. Their Majesties never mentioned it.

"How vital it is not only to the future of the British Commonwealth and Empire but I believe also to the cause of world freedom and peace which we serve, that the occupant of the Throne should be equal to the august and indefinable responsibilities which this supreme office requires.

"For 15 years King George VI was King. Never at any moment in all the perplexities at home and abroad, in public or in private, did he fail in his duty.

"Our hearts go out tonight to that valiant woman with the famous blood of Scotland in her veins, who sustained King George through all his toils and problems, and brought up with their charm and beauty the two daughters who mourn, their father today.

"To Queen Mary his mother, there belongs the consolation of seeing how well he did his duty and fulfilled her hopes, and of knowing how much he cared for her.

THE NEW QUEEN

"Queen Elizabeth the Second, like her predecessor, did not pass her childhood in any certain expectation of the Crown.

"But already we know her well and we understand why her gifts and those of her husband, the Duke of Edinburgh, have stirred the only part of our Commonwealth she has not yet been able to visit.

"Famous have been the reigns of our queens. Now that we have the second Queen Elizabeth also ascending the Throne in her twenty-sixth year, our thoughts are carried back nearly four hundred years to the magnificent figure who presided over and, in many ways, embodied the grandeur and vitality of the Elizabethan Age.

"I, whose youth was passed in the august and tranquil glories of the Victorian era, may well feel a thrill in invoking once more the prayer and Anthem, God Save The Queen."—Reuter.

SOVIET CONDOLENCES

Moscow, Feb. 7.

The Soviet Foreign Minister, M. Andrei Vyshinsky, today conveyed through the British Ambassador in Moscow, Sir Alvary Gascoigne, condolences on the King's death on behalf of the President of the Soviet Union, M. Nicholai Shvernik, and himself.

An Embassy spokesman said that M. Vyshinsky's letter stated that the President had asked M. Vyshinsky "that deep condolences should be conveyed" to the Ambassador.

M. Vyshinsky also said: "I also beg you to accept the expression of my deep condolence."

The message was being forwarded to London, the Embassy spokesman said.

Sir Alvary informed the President of the Soviet Union by letter yesterday of King George's death.—Reuter.

Princess Margaret Is Grief-Stricken

Sandringham, Feb. 7.

Margaret, the girl who until yesterday was the gayest Princess in the world, knelt grief-stricken here today before a silver altar and prayed for her dead father.

The Princess, who all her life has loved bright clothes, was veiled and dressed in sombre black as she drove with her widowed mother to the private church in the grounds of Sandringham Park.

As mother and daughter dropped to their knees side by side undertakers in the Royal mansion were embalming the body of the King. Carpenters were finishing a coffin made from oak hewn on the estate.

Margaret was in tears when the time came to leave the church. Because of this the Queen Mother decided to go home through the concealing foliage of an estate pathway to avoid the newsmen and photographers crowding outside the Park walls.—Reuter.

Doctors Called To Queen Mary

London, Feb. 7.

Doctors were reported to have been called twice on the 85-year-old Queen Mother Mary today.

It was believed here that she was feared to have suffered shock on learning the news of the sudden death of of her son, King George VI.

There was no indication, however, of any deterioration in the Queen Mother's condition.—France-Presse.

Plans For Issuing New Stamps

London, Feb. 7.

A Post Office spokesman indicated tonight that plans were being prepared for the issue of stamps bearing the picture of Queen Elizabeth II.

He stated, however, that such stamps would not be issued before at least six months.

He said designers would be invited to submit projects to the Queen who would have absolute say in the matter.

Coins stamped with the new Queen's effigy will not be issued before several months it was also announced.—France-Presse.

New Queen's Sad Homecoming

Public Respects The Premier's Request

(From Our Own Correspondent)

London, Feb. 7.

Mr Winston Churchill, with his acute sense of the occasion, has the keynote for the sad homecoming of the Princess whom we cannot yet think of as Queen.

Londoners have respected the privacy of their returning Queen. Exactly a week ago, a bright enthusiastic crowd came to the airport to see off Princess Elizabeth. They lined the streets, they poured to the barriers on the tarmac facing the aircraft.

But yesterday evening Mr Churchill issued a brief, dignified script from No 10 Downing Street. It is in words exactly characteristic of Mr Churchill. "The Prime Minister feels that it would be in accordance with the wishes of the public that the return of the Queen to London should be as quiet as possible and that Her Majesty should be met only by those whose official positions make it appropriate for them to be present at the airport.

"It is accordingly hoped that there will be no public gathering at London Airport tomorrow afternoon."

This was broadcast last night and again today—eight times altogether.

NO AIRPORT CROWD

Mr Churchill has a sense of what is fitting. And the British public still has discipline.

So there was no crowd at the airport. Planes were grounded. The Press were excluded. Mechanics stood back. The curtains went down on the restaurant facing the apron where the Argonaut Atlanta came to rest.

The Queen, quickly followed by her husband—he bowed a little—stepped from the aircraft (it had made good time on its historic dash) and in only three minutes, including handshakes and a wave to the respectful airport staff, she had slipped back into the far corner of a big square Daimler—the same car with wide windows in which she drove out.

Mr Churchill was at the airport. A week ago, he ran up the steps jauntily into the long squat body of the Argonaut aircraft—eager like a schoolboy to see the latest devices. Today he waited as Prime Minister in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland on the Queen of that United Kingdom and all her Dominions beyond the seas.

LEADERS PRESENT

In the background, also on hand to greet the Queen on re-entering her English realm, were the leaders of the other political parties—Mr Clement Attlee, looking a little pinched with the windy cold, and Mr Clement Davies of the Liberals—grey-haired and distinguished.

Mr Churchill's dignified thought was reflected in the demeanour of Londoners. Around Clarence House there has been a small group—but a very small group.

Curiously, at least half that crowd was made up of foreign visitors. A Danish lady was weeping copiously. An Egyptian was passing by and did not

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STATE FUNERAL NEXT FRIDAY

King Will Lie In State For 3 Days

London, Feb. 7.

Queen Elizabeth II flew home to a sorrowing capital from the heart of Africa today and immediately approved arrangements for the funeral of her father in the resting place of kings at St George's Chapel, Windsor Castle, on Friday, February 15.

The King's body will be brought by train on Monday from the lovely Norfolk estate of Sandringham, where he was born and where he died, to lie in State in Parliament's Westminster Hall for the people to pay him tribute.

His body will lie on a simple cloth-covered dais in the Hall for three days after being brought by train from Sandringham on Monday.

Then, it will be taken in a State funeral procession to Paddington Station, about three miles away, for its final journey to Windsor, 25 miles from London.

France may send a unit of her troops here when the French President, M. Vincent Auriol, and the French Foreign Minister, M. Robert Schuman, cross the Channel for the funeral of the King, usually reliable sources told Reuter today.

King Gustaf of Swedon is expected to travel to Britain in a cruiser, the Swedish Embassy in London announced.

Queen Louise, who underwent a major operation last autumn, is unlikely to accompany him.

King Frederik of Denmark and Queen Ingrid are expected here on Thursday.—Reuter.

ROYALTY TO ATTEND

London, Feb. 7.

Members of royal houses throughout the world will come to England for the King's funeral. Most of the European rulers knew the King well.

Queen Juliana of the Netherlands and her husband Prince Bernard often visit the King and Queen at Buckingham Palace. So did Queen Juliana's mother, the former Queen Wilhelmina, now styled Princess. All were in England in exile during the war.

Queen Juliana and Prince Bernard were in London last summer. Both are expected to attend the King's funeral.

So are the Kings of Denmark and Sweden. King Gustaf Adolf of Sweden has not been here since his accession in 1950. His Queen was formerly Lady Louis Mountbatten, daughter of the first Marquess Milford Haven. They were married 29 years ago.

King Frederik and Queen Ingrid of Denmark were in England last May and had planned to come again this summer. King Haakon of Norway may also insist on coming to the funeral in spite of his age and the rigours of winter travel. King Haakon will be 80 in August.

In the autumn of 1950 he went to Stockholm for the funeral of his old friend King Gustaf of Sweden.

IN GREAT REGARD

King Haakon held King George in great regard.

King Farouk of Egypt will send a member of his family—probably his cousin, Prince Abdul Moneim.

A number of Arab royalties will be at the funeral. Some are already in England. King Feisal of Iraq, 16 years of age, is at Harrow. So is Crown Prince Hussein of Jordan, son of King Talal. He too is 16.

Another member of the royal house of Iraq lives in London—Prince Zeid El-Hussein, his country's Ambassador.

From Saudi Arabia King Ibn Saud is expected to send one of his sons, probably Prince Feisal, who is Foreign Minister. Sheikh Hafiz Wahba Saudi, the Arabian Ambassador in London is visiting Ibn Saud now. He was due back on February 15. Now Sheikh Hafiz will fly in time to attend the King's funeral.

Another absent envoy is expected to return to London for the funeral—Amr Pasha, the Egyptian Ambassador. Amr was recalled to Egypt in December last and is acting as King Farouk's adviser on foreign affairs.—Our Own Correspondent.

ACHESON CHOSEN

Washington, Feb. 7.

President Truman told the Press today he would be personally represented at the funeral of King George VI by the Secretary of State, Mr Dean Acheson.

He did not indicate when Mr Acheson would leave for London.—France-Presse.

Ten Killed In Bush Fires

Melbourne, Feb. 7.

The death toll in Australia's rampaging bush-fires jumped to 10 today as the flames swept into the outskirts of the Federal capital at Canberra.

The blaze roared around the capital's suburbs, where most diplomats live, and reports said that the home of the Canadian High Commissioner, Mr F. Elliott, was menaced.

Two men and two children died in hospital today as a result of burns sustained when they were trapped by the conflagration.—Reuter.

Faure Wins Vote

Paris, Feb. 7.

Premier Edgar Faure's government squeezed through a vote of confidence in the National Assembly early today (Friday). The official count was 292 to 275. He took over the leadership three weeks ago.—Associated Press.

British Policy For Malaya Disclosed

London, Feb. 7.

The policy of the British Government is that Malaya should in due course become a fully sovereign nation, according to a directive to General Sir Gerald Templer, the new High Commissioner in Malaya published by the Colonial Office here tonight.

The Colonial Office statement said the directive issued to General Templer on February 4 and read today at his swearing in ceremony at Kuala Lumpur was as follows:

"The United Kingdom's policy for Malaya is that Malaya should in due course become a fully self government nation. His Majesty's Government confidently hope that the nation will be within the British Commonwealth.

"In assisting the peoples of Malaya to achieve this object you (General Templer) will at all times be guided by the declaration of the policy expressed in the Federal of Malaya agreement and by the statement of special responsibilities of the High Commissioner contained in Section 19 of the agreement.

CITIZENSHIP

"To achieve a United Malaya nation there must be a common form of citizenship for all who regard the Federation or any part of it their real home and the object of their loyalty.

"It will be your duty to guide the peoples of Malaya towards the attainment of these objectives and to promote such political progress of the country as well, without prejudicing the campaign against the terrorists in bringing forth our democratic aims in Malaya.

"The ideal of a United Malaya nation does not involve the sacrifice by any community of its traditional culture and customs, but before it can be fully realised the Malays must be encouraged and assisted to play a full part in the economic balance that may be required from them.

"It would be your duty to foster this process to the best of your ability.

"His Majesty's Government believes that the British have a mission to fulfilling the achievement of these objects, and that, even after a self government has been attained, the British in Malaya will have a worthy and

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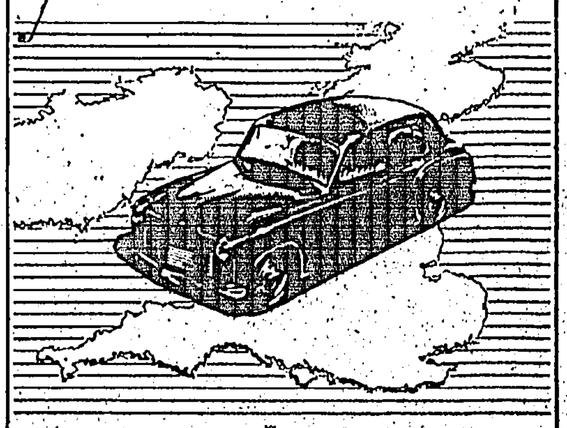

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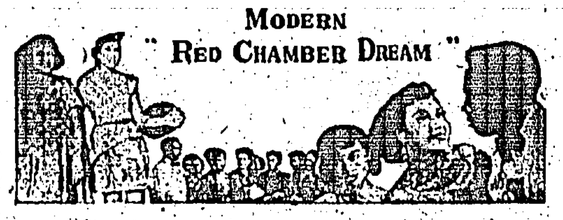

A CHINESE PICTURE IN MANDARIN DIALOGUE

Czech Arms Drive

Vienna, Feb. 6.

The Czechoslovak Communist Government has put heavy new demands upon the huge former Skoda armament factory at Pilsen.

The Minister for Heavy Industry, Gustav Klimenta quoted by the Czech newspaper Prace, said the plant—now named the "Lenin Works" — would have to turn out 38 per cent more goods in 1952 than in 1951.

According to Western diplomats here, the Pilsen plant is manufacturing tanks and heavy artillery for Russia and its satellites. —Associated Press.

WASHINGTON'S ATTITUDE TOWARDS REDS' LATEST PROPOSALS FOR KOREA

Washington, Feb, 7.

The United States Government is ready to accept Communist "recommendations" made at Panmunjom with a view to settling political problems in Korea, informed circles declared here today.

It was added, however, that the principles of the conference would be accepted only after conclusion of a truce and provided that the recommendations be approved by the United Nations.

They indicated that the United States was unlikely to raise any objections concerning the first point or the recommendations concerning withdrawal of foreign troops and pacific settlement of the Korean question.

They said that difficulties may arise regarding the third point dealing with "questions related to peace in Korea."

It is believed in Washington that by raising this point the Communists are attempting to enlarge the debate on Koren by including problems interesting the entire Far East and more particularly of Formosa.

These circles said that the United States would attempt to circumscribe the discussions to purely Korean questions.

The Secretary of Defence, Robert Lovett, and General Omar N. Bradley today gave Senators a "highly secret" report on progress of cease-fire and truce negotiations in Korea.

The unannounced session was held in the Senate Armed Services Committee room behind closed doors with Chairman Richard Russell (Democrat-Georgia) presiding, and members of other Committees attending.

Senators invited to the session refused to say what was discussed other than it involved "peace" and was a "highly secret meeting."

"We got a report on the progress at Panmunjom," Senator Russell said; "It is so sensitive I'm reluctant to even comment to this extent." —France-Presse and Associated Press.

KIM'S BROADCAST

Tokyo, Feb. 7.

Kim Il-sung, the North Korean Supreme Commander, said tonight on Radio Pyongyang that Soviet Russia "and all other democratic nations" are "supporting" the Communist effort in Korea.

The North Korean Premier ordered the army "always to stand ready to wage a decisive battle with the enemy."

Kim Il-sung's "Army Day" speech charged that the "American imperialists" were using the truce-talks as a "screen" to cover "a new plot to expand their aggression so as to complete the occupation of the whole of Korea."

He said, "Such a plot is impractical and if the American imperialists should continue their aggression they would suffer the heaviest losses they have ever sustained.

"In celebrating the fourth anniversary of the organisation of the Korean People's Army I issue the following orders to all the officers and men in order to rid our Fatherland of the American imperialist armed invaders and Syngman Rhee's puppet army," Kim Il-sung said.

"One. Always stand ready to wage a decisive battle with the enemy.

"Two. Promote co-ordination and staff work in order to annihilate the enemy.

"Three. Commanders and political officers of the People's Army should have kind-hearted guidance in improving the thoughts of the men.

"Four. Partisan units must mobilise the masses of the people for the liberation war and, courageously and with surprise, attack the enemy's staff headquarters and rear area units.

"Five. All officers and men of the Korean People's Army should co-ordinate fighting power with the Chinese People's Volunteers."—United Press.

DECISION ON COTTON SUBSIDY

Washington, Feb. 7.

The Secretary of Agriculture, Charles Brannan, told the House Agriculture Committee today that he would rather fall short of his goal of 16,000,000 bales of cotton this year than to raise the cotton support price.

He told the Committee that if the cotton support price were increased above 90 per cent of parity, the same demand would be made for other farm commodities.

The result would be added inflationary pressure, he said.

Mr Brannan, called before the Committee to justify the Department's goal of 16,000,000 bales of cotton this year, put it this way:

"It is my studied judgment that as between the risk of a failure to obtain the necessary supplies of cotton next year and the alternate risks and troubles incident to adding substantial additional pressures to the already strong inflationary trend, it would be in the interests of the total economy and of cotton producers themselves for the Government to refrain from raising the price support price level for cotton....or to add any other price inducement of a similar character."

Committee members said, in discussing the problem with Mr Brannan, that the cotton farmers will not produce 16,000,000 bales of cotton this year without some sort of price inducement.—Associated Press.

New US Envoy To Russia

Washington, Feb. 7.

President Truman has nominated Mr George F. Kennan as United States Ambassador to Moscow.

Mr Kennan was a State Department expert on Russian questions. He will succeed Admiral Alan Kirk, whose resignation became effective today.—France-Presse.

Washington Talks On Tin Supply

Washington, Feb. 7.

The United States turned to Indonesia and her three associated States today for a solution of the growing problem of getting enough tin for the defence programme.

As "brass tacks" negotiations got under way here, American officials would make no estimate of how much Indonesia's 30,000-ton annual output they are able to get at a price they liked.

The tin trade with that country as well as with all others became slack since the price soared shortly after the start of the Korean war, but the Indonesians sold to the United States as much as 22,000 tons in years past. The consumption of the United States is two or three times that amount.

Recently the United States contracted to buy 20,000 tons of Malayan tin from Great Britain at $1.18 per pound. According to the terms of that contract any higher price arranged with another country must be paid Great Britain, too. So it appeared unlikely that the American negotiators will budge from that level.

(It was learned yesterday that the first shipment under the new contract will arrive from Britain in a day or so and it looks as if the British are profiting at about eight cents a pound on the deal. In order to have the tin on hand to ship so soon after the agreement was reached, Britain would have had to buy it from Malaya before the settlement at a time when the price was eight cents lower around the world.)

HOLDING OUT

The United States had been blocked in large-scale tin buying attempts several months before the British agreed to sell tin and Canadian aluminium. In exchange, this country is selling steel to her.

Bolivia, which one time supplied 40 per cent of the tin needs of the United States, is still holding out for $1.50 a pound and is shipping nothing in the meanwhile. It was hoped that the settlement with Britain might crack the line established by Bolivia by extending it among other suppliers as well.

But the British contract, though it runs for a year, is likely to be filled before it expires. To get more tin would require more negotiations.

All countries are known to want higher prices for their tin than the United States has offered. To keep a foot in the door they might settle at the United States price cut only for a short-term contract or for a limited amount of tin as the British did.—United Press.

American Firms May Buy Comet

London, Feb. 7.

Seven of the biggest U.S. airlines may club together to buy a British Comet jet for about £ 000,000, so that they may learn all about jet aeroplane operation.

The United States have no jet airliners. Several have appeared on drawing boards, but they are a long way from flying.

Suggestions have been made that the United States government should subsidise the building of a jet airliner so that companies can get experience, or that firms should be given a B.45 four-jet bomber so they can study its operation.

Now the airlines, deciding against these ideas, may work together on a Comet, pooling the knowledge gained from it.

Meanwhile British Overseas Airways Corporation are getting more experience by using the Comet on a freight service between London and Johannesburg.

In addition to BOAC, Comets have been ordered by British Commonwealth Pacific Airlines, Canadian Pacific Airlines and the Royal Canadian Air Force.—*London Express Service.*

Immigrant Held For Complaining

Tel-Aviv, Feb. 7.

A Rumanian immigrant has been arrested for complaining in a cable to his family that he was unable to live in Israel except by dealing on the black market.

The censorship authorities handed the cable to the police.

ICICLES INJURE TRAIN CREW

London, Feb. 7.

Icicles 8ft. long and a foot thick, hanging from the roof of a tunnel, broke the engine-cab windows of a train from Middlesbrough to Scarborough.

Driver William York and Fireman Dennis Knight were badly cut about the head.

Communists Barred

Edinburgh, Feb. 7.

Edinburgh Education Committee voted 17 to 7 that the Communist Party should no longer be allowed the use of corporation community centres.

Strikers To Go Back To Work

Athens, Feb. 7.

The Greek Postal Workers Union today called back to work members who yesterday joined the strike of 65,000 civil servants for higher pay.

The Government claimed that all civil servants were expected back tomorrow. Yesterday they threatened to dismiss postmen who did not return and to take legal action against all strikers. —Reuter.

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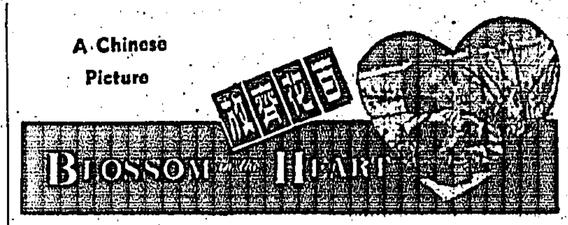

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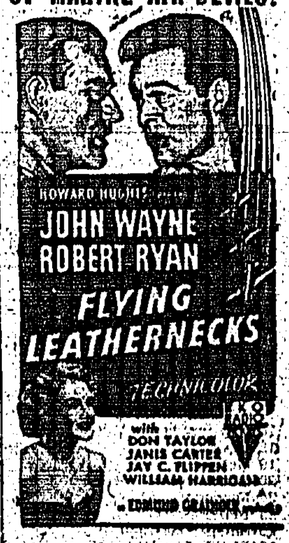

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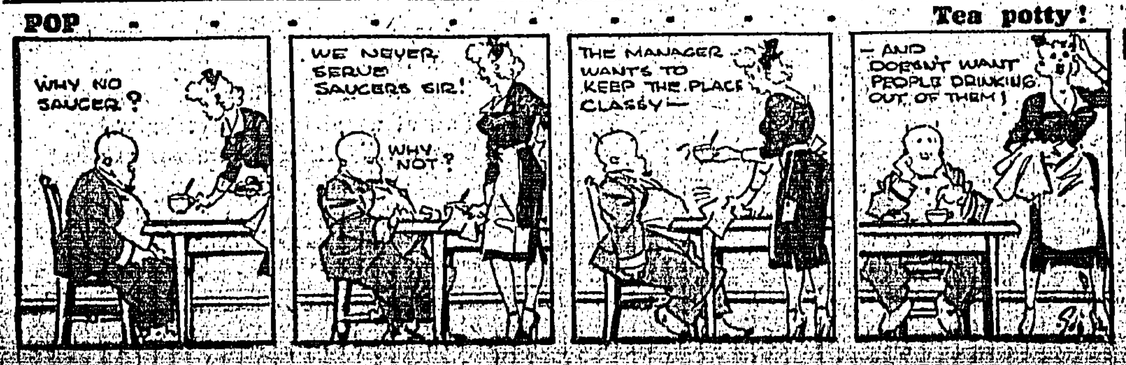


S. KOREA TO PRESS CLAIMS

War Losses Through Japanese Action

Washington, Feb. 7.

The Korean Ambassador, You Chan Yang, will leave for Tokyo on Monday to head the Korean delegation opening negotiations with Japan for a treaty of amity and commerce.

"I am hopeful we will be able to conclude a pact satisfactory to both nations," Mr Yang told The Associated Press. "The negotiations are an opportunity for Japan to prove she desires to re-enter the family of free nations. The impending peace treaty obligates Japan to enter negotiations with us and other nations in a spirit of full sincerity. I am optimistic she will honour this obligation.

"Korea is hopeful of establishing friendly relations with Japan, clearing away the bad blood between the two nations in the past 40 years," Mr Yang added. The treaty would establish diplomatic relations and govern commercial and other intercourse, he said.

Korea would also call upon Japan to settle all property claims Korea has against Japan as the result of the recent war. The claims total many millions of dollars.

"There are not reparations," he said, "but such claims as Korean ships which Japan confiscated during the war."

FISHING RIGHTS

Another important issue, Mr Yang said, is establishment of fishing rights and waters.

"We shall insist that the present MacArthur Line between the two nations be maintained," he said.

Korea also seeks agreement establishing the legal status of Koreans in Japan.

"There are 500,000 to 1,000,000 Koreans in Japan, 75 per cent of whom Japan forced to go there during the war for forced labour. We want Japan to give all Koreans who wish to remain in Japan an unrestricted status as legal residents without having to make application therefore and payment of fees as recently enacted Japanese laws demand."

Mr Yang hoped the pact would be concluded within two months.—Associated Press.

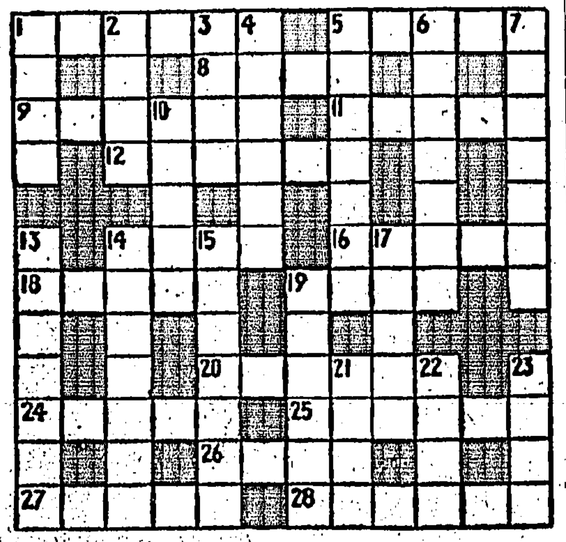
PRODUCTION OF GOLD FALLING

Toronto, Feb. 7.

The Ontario gold mines produced nearly four per cent less bullion in 1951 than during the preceding year, a provincial mines report said today.

The Mines Minister, Mr W. G. Mell said production could be expected to drop further unless something is done to relieve the gold mining industry of the pressure of high costs against the diminishing gold price.—United Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

1 Desisted (6).
5 Flanks (5).
8 Departed (4).
9 Go by again (6).
11 Crime (5).
12 Inflexible (6).
14 Blockhead (4).
16 Nominates (5).
18 Revile (5).
19 Gets older (4).
20 Unemotional (6).
24 Farewell (5).
25 Rebellion (6).
26 Smell strongly (4).
27 Bird of prey (5).
28 Disfigure (6).

DOWN

1 Terse (4).
2 Mountains (4).
3 In addition (4).
4 Abandon (6).
5 Remaining (7).
6 Deprives of weapons (7).
7 Dawn (7).
10 Musketeer (5).
13 Bind up a wound (7).
14 Depositing (7).
15 Rest period (7).
17 Protection (5).
19 Worshipped (6).
21 Find pleasing (4).
22 Singer (4).
23 Monster (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD. — **Across:** 1 Tasks, 4 Stumps, 8 Mortar, 10 Elgar, 12 German, 14 Deplete, 17 Sups, 19 Isthmus, 20 Fortune, 22 Unit, 23 Unusual, 27 Tenets, 29 Intire, 30 Shrike, 31 Enlist, 32 Reeds. **Down:** 1 Timid, 2 Scrap, 3 Stage, 5 Teem, 6 Magnum, 7 Stress, 9 Retinue, 11 Lashes, 13 Resents, 15 Ebon, 16 Litter, 18 Pupa, 20 Futile, 21 Ritual, 24 Usher, 25 Unite, 26 Leeds, 28 News.

The Boy Who Was Shy

At the start of her tragically interrupted visit to Kenya, Princess Elizabeth — as she then was — was the centre of a charming incident at Nairobi involving Prince Salim, a Swahili native boy born on the same day as Prince Charles. Salim was chosen to present a bouquet to the Princess and when the presentation was rehearsed (upper picture) everything went swimmingly. On the actual day, however, Salim was overcome with shyness, held the bouquet behind his back (picture at right) and had to be coaxed into handing it to the Princess. — Express and Central Press Photos.

UPROAR IN BONN PARLIAMENT

Socialist Attack On Rearmament Policy

Police Break Up Pacifist Protest Demonstrations

Bonn, Feb. 7.

West Germany's rearmament policy today provoked an uproar within Parliament and pacifist protest demonstrations without.

Defending his rearmament policy, Dr Konrad Adenauer, West German Chancellor, faced the most unruly Bundestag (Lower House) in his 30 months of rule.

The Social Democrat Opposition, attacking him, called for new elections on the ground that nobody ever thought that such rearmament would be considered when the present House was elected.

As the 76-year-old Chancellor opened a two-day debate on West Germany's part in European defence, the Police, using hoses, drenched 1,000 Communist-led pacifists in the streets outside.

Two miles away, in the middle of Bonn, powerful Police units broke up other columns forming to march on Parliament.

Twelve people were arrested.

In Parliament, Dr Adenauer had to appeal several times to the Chairman, Herr Ehlers, for order so that he could make himself heard.

Appealing for a contribution to Western defence, Dr Adenauer urged the need for lessening tension between Germany and France but said that the whole German people considered that the French had prejudiced the status of the Saar by appointing their High Commissioner in the Saar as head of the French diplomatic mission there.

REDS ACCUSED

Germany would not commit young German soldiers to a European army commanded by General Eisenhower if they were subject to an organisation over which Germany had no control, he said.

Dr Adenauer declared that Russia was trying to subjugate Western Germany as a first step to gaining all West Europe.

He charged that the Communist Party in West Germany were infiltrating into and undermining the population.

The Deputy Chairman of the Defence Department, Herr Ollenhauer, claimed that there was no hurry for a German defence contribution as Democracy today was stronger than ever before.

He said that the living standards of the masses must be increased before money was spent on weapons.—Reuter.

NATO MEMBERSHIP

Bonn, Feb. 7.

The Chancellor, Konrad Adenauer, told his Parliament today West Germany had been promised eventual membership in the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO). He called for French co-operation in settling the new Franco-German quarrel over the industrial Saar.

The 76-year-old Chancellor opened the Parliamentary debate on the issue of arming 300,000 to 400,000 German soldiers to join the projected European army against Communism. The issue is one of the hottest ones in post-war history and Dr Adenauer faced the fight of his political life.

Outside, 500 shouting anti-rearmament demonstrators tried to march on the Parliament building but were driven back by police with a water hose. Inside the Bundestag (Lower House), Communist Deputies booed and heckled the Chancellor, who put forward the West German Government's proposal to raise 12 German divisions for Western defence. Several times Dr Adenauer threatened to expel Leftist hecklers from the chamber.

Dr Adenauer appealed to the French to head off a serious quarrel developing between Germany and France over the future of the coal-rich Saar. The Germans have accused the French of trying to annex the former German territory. Under agreement approved by the Western powers, France has a 50-year hold on the economy of the territory. Recently France appointed an Ambassador to the Saar as she would to any independent country. The final status of the border territory will be decided in the German peace treaty.

SOCIALIST ATTACK

Dr Adenauer said: "The treaty move came so suddenly—and this is remarkable—it came right after we ratified the Schuman Plan (for pooling West European coal and steel) and a few days before this decisive debate was to begin."

The Chancellor charged that French administration of the Saar was "undemocratic" and accused France of damaging the chances of lasting Franco-German friendship and real European confederation at a critical time.

The Socialists, second strongest Party in the Lower House, launched a sharp attack on Dr Adenauer's position. Ruddy, heavy-set Erich Ollenhauer, substituting for Party chieftain Kurt Schumacher, charged the Chancellor with letting France get away with actions in the Saar which were prejudicial to German interests.

He said the Socialists, too, approved defence of the free Western world against the Communist threat, but that Dr Adenauer's programme was faulty because:

1. Defence of democracy also demands "social justice" and Dr Adenauer neglects this.
2. Dr Adenauer is offering German soldiers to the European Army without getting "political equality."
3. The danger of war is declining.
4. Rearmament now would deepen the division of Germany.—Associated Press.

Sequel To "Ike's" Blast At Spain

Washington, Feb. 7.

Did General Dwight D. Eisenhower say Spain will be kept out of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO) as long as he commands its European forces?

An American labour leader was quoted in a Paris despatch on Tuesday as saying that Gen. Eisenhower made this statement at a luncheon for a visiting group.

Senator Harry P. Cain (Republican-Washington) told the Senate that Gen. Eisenhower must have been misrepresented.

"The General is acknowledged everywhere to be a military diplomat of the highest possible character. It would be impossible and downright stupid for him to needlessly criticise a nation whose resources may well mean the difference between disaster or victory if the world should find itself engulfed in global conflict."

The American who quoted Gen. Eisenhower asked his name not be used. He was a member of the 13-man Executive Committee of the International Confederation of Free Trade Unions (ICFTU) which met with Gen. Eisenhower.

The American said the General told five or six of the group in an informal discussion that you could get some things from Spain without putting it on the same level as NATO—that Spain would not be admitted into NATO as long as he was Supreme Commander.

"CONTRADICTORY"

The General was quoted as saying Spain does not have a free regime and he had no particular love for that kind of regime.

Senator Cain, who advocates close co-operation with Spain, said: "Gen. Eisenhower knows, as everybody else ought to know, that the military commander of the NATO forces does not determine who shall and who shall not become a member of NATO.

"Gen. Eisenhower has been placed in a contradictory position through no fault of his own and should clarify the situation."

Senator Cain has not declared his stand on Gen. Eisenhower as a Presidential candidate.

TRUMAN'S ATTITUDE

In Washington, President Truman stated today he had never entertained any sympathy towards the Franco regime in Spain.

President Truman made the statement in his weekly Press conference in reply to a question referring to the reported statement by General Eisenhower.

President Truman could not comment on such a statement because he had not been informed of it.

He indicated that the prospect of military agreement between Spain and the United States caused him no personal pleasure.

The President added very curtly that he had never entertained any sympathy towards Spain.

Newspapermen then asked him whether he was referring in particular to the regime of General Franco. The President said yes, he was.—Associated Press and France-Presse.

ACTION BY MOSSADEGH REGRETTED

Washington, Feb. 7.

The spokesman of the State Department, Mr Michael J. McDermott, said today that the United States regrets the action of Iran in demanding the closing of three American information and cultural centres in outlying districts.

Mr McDermott said that the State Department was studying the possibility of making representations to Iran.

He added, however, that the United States had no intention of trying to take any retaliatory action because the Iranian Government's order was not discriminatory and appears to be within the sovereign rights of that Government.

Mr McDermott pointed out that the closure order applied to British, French and Soviet cultural centres as well.

"Iran gave us their reason for the closure order and we understand it," he said.

He declined to say what the reason was.—United Press.

Mystery Of Missing Politician

Tel-Aviv, Feb. 7.

The Israeli Foreign Ministry has asked its Prague Consulate to seek information on the whereabouts of Mogiel Oren, leader of the Israel pro-Russian Mapai Party.

Oren is reported to have disappeared in Czechoslovakia.

He recently attended a meeting of the Communist-dominated World Federation of Trade Unions in Berlin.

He is believed to have stopped in Paris on the way back to Israel.

He is reported to have gone from Paris to Czechoslovakia in connection with the recent arrest of his cousin, Shimon Ornistein.—United Press.

Shipping Line Asks Subsidy

Washington, Feb. 7.

The American President Lines has asked for Government subsidy aid on its service between American Atlantic ports and Malaya, Indonesia and the Straits Settlements.

The Company said it is facing direct competition from 14 foreign-flag operators over various segments of the route.—Associated Press.

Decision On Tunisian Impasse

Paris, Feb. 7.

A drafting Committee representing 15 Asiatic and Arab nations, which plan to take the French-Tunisian dispute before the Security Council of the United Nations, will probably not act until after the Security Council reconvenes in New York later this month.

This decision was said to have been taken last night by representatives of India, Pakistan and Egypt, who constitute a committee appointed by the 15 nations to draft a letter on Tunisian affairs to the Security Council.

The Security Council is to meet in New York on February 16, but it was not known whether the 15 nations would submit their letter to the Security Council in February or wait until later. — France-Presse.

OPERATION ON BARKLEY

Washington, Feb. 7.

Vice-President Alben Barkley had a minor operation today which his doctor said was completely successful.

The 74-year-old Vice-President was stated to be in fine condition. He went into the Bethesda Naval Hospital yesterday.—Reuter.

51 Nations Pledge Assistance

Paris, Feb. 7.

The two-day technical assistance conference of the United Nations closed today with 51 countries firmly pledging a total of $18,602,000 for this year's operations of the United Nations' expanded programme of technical assistance.

Ten more countries indicated that they would make contributions but they have not yet announced their respective figures.

The total is just short of the $20,000,000 target figure.

It is expected that it will be fully reached when the amount the last 10 countries will contribute is known.

The United States was again the largest contributor with a pledge of $12,000,000, provided that this amount did not exceed 60 per cent of the total of all contributions.—United Press.

Opium Trial In Peru

Lima, Feb. 7.

An Italian, Guido Franco Costa, 40, was among four defendants accused of trafficking in opium.

A Chinese, Alfredo Lau, was also accused along with an Ecuadorian and a Peruvian.

Costa was arrested on August 9, 1949, by Customs agents at Zarumilla, on the Ecuadorian-Peruvian frontier, with nine pounds of opium in two suit cases with double bottoms.

All are being tried before a special court organised to crack the sale of the drug.—United Press.

This Was No Friend

Sydney, Feb. 7.

Charles Thomas, 50-year-old farmer, thought he saw a friend swimming towards him under water at Evans Head, 300 miles north of Sydney.

"I thought I would jump on my friend's back for a joke," said Thomas. "But I found I had straddled a shark."

The shark, an eight-foot grey nurse, bit him twice.

"I couldn't loosen my grip quickly enough," Thomas told his rescuers. —Reuter.

Amnesty For Ex-President Is Approved

Panama City, Feb. 7.

Less than a year after convicting ex-President Arnulfo Arias of abusing his power, the National Assembly early today completed legislative action to free him from gaol.

It passed a bill granting amnesty to the former President and all others implicated in the bloody events of last May 10, when Arias was overthrown.

The bill now goes to Alcibiades Arosemena, the President installed in Arias' place. He was quoted in the Assembly as saying he would veto it, but has neither confirmed nor denied this statement.

Arias was unseated after trying to change Panama's constitution by decree, and was then gaoled. A short while later the Assembly convicted him in an impeachment trial and banned him for life from holding office.

He remained in gaol while the authorities investigated his connection with some of the deaths that occurred in the fighting which overthrew him.

Arias is still a power in Panamanian politics. With new elections on the way, several parties manoeuvring for his support joined to obtain his freedom.

The amnesty bill was passed with the support of several Administration deputies. — Associated Press.

THE MOON IS HIS OBJECTIVE

London, Feb. 7.

Thirteen-year-old Martin Jeffries of Hampstead is planning to become the first boy to land on the moon. He is waiting for a reply from the British Interplanetary Society to his application for membership.

If he is accepted he will put before them the plans of a 120ft. rocket ship which he has spent six years designing.

Martin talked easily about gravitational motors, gyroscopic seats and centrifugal pumps, and then abandoned technical data to stand in his head to demonstrate the difficulty of eating a raw carrot upside down.

"The effect will be similar to eating upside down when we near the moon," he explained.

Martin's main difficulty is financing the expedition. "I can't do much on three shillings a week pocket money," he said, today at his home in Hampstead Way. "But the main thing is to show the society my designs and then see what happens."—London Express Service.

Warns Against Possible Snag

The Hague, Feb. 7.

In a debate in Parliament tonight on Dutch participation in the European Army, the Dutch Foreign Minister, Dr Dirk Stikker, outlined Holland's attitude and said that two situations should be guarded against.

One was that the European Army would go into action without the support of the forces of the other NATO partners.

The other was that NATO forces would go into action and the European Army, as such, not join in because of a possible veto by one of the six European Army countries.

"These difficulties can only be avoided if Germany can be brought into the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation in some way or other," he said.—Reuter.

Britain To Send Oil Mission To Persian Gulf

London, Feb. 7.

The British Government announced today that it is sending a mission of high officials to tour the rich oil-bearing areas of the Persian Gulf.

A Foreign Office spokesman stated that Sir Roger Makins, Under-Secretary in charge of Economic Affairs in the Foreign Office, would lead the mission, which would include representatives from the Treasury and the Bank of England.

The task would be to study the problems arising from the increased production of oil in the area and to prepare a report for the Foreign Secretary, Mr Anthony Eden.

The mission will fly first to Bagdad. From there it will visit the independent Sheikdom of Shahjah. It will also visit Riyadh, in Saudi Arabia.

The mission will be away for about a month.

The Foreign Office spokesman said, "In view of the special responsibilities of Her Majesty's Government in the protected States of the Persian Gulf and of the problems arising from the increased production of oil in the area, the Foreign Secretary has decided that Sir Roger Makins, Under-Secretary of State in the Foreign Office, should visit these States in order to study conditions at first hand and discuss the situation with the rulers concerned."

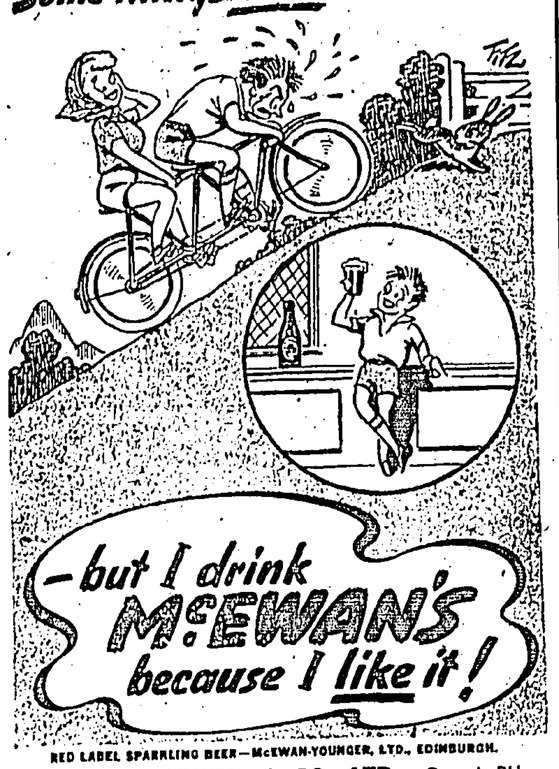
It is understood that one of the principal purposes of the tour is to study conditions in those oil-producing centres in which British technicians are employed and to see whether their present establishments are adaptable for the responsibilities involved in the production of oil in greatly increased quantities.

The Foreign Office said that it was some time since an official Foreign Office mission had visited these areas.—Reuter.

PERSIAN DENIAL

Teheran, Feb. 7.

A Persian Government spokesman, Mr Javad Boushiri, denied "from top to bottom" a London newspaper report that East Germany was negotiating a £10 million contract for Persian oil. —Reuter.



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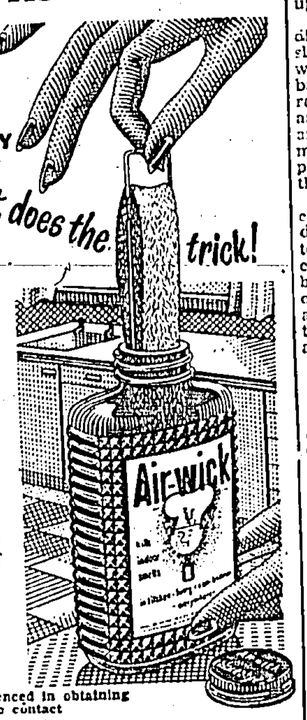

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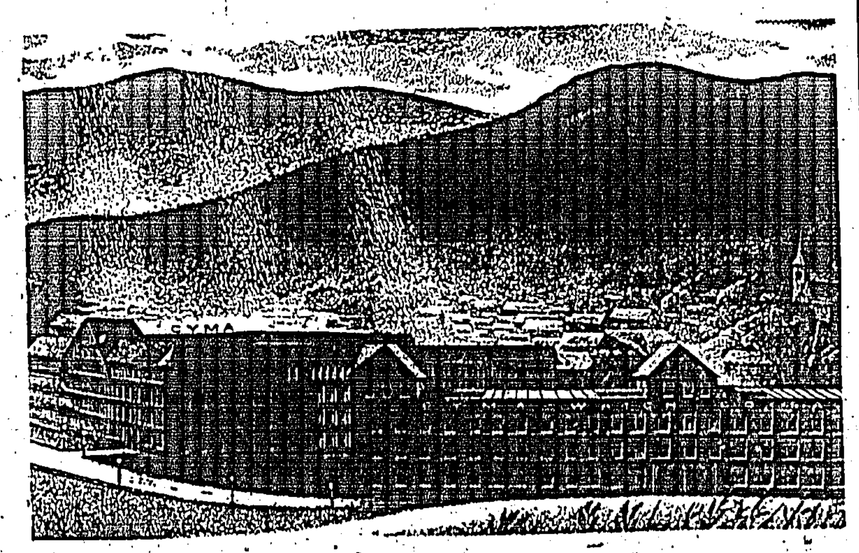

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Tribute To A Loved And Respected Monarch

GEORGE THE SIXTH'S GREAT VIRTUE WAS MORAL LEADERSHIP

By George Malcolm Thomson

EACH successor to the throne of our crowned republic is faced by the question: What shall be the interpretation I give to this august, mysterious and ill-defined office which I have inherited?

Each finds a different answer to the question, according to the needs of the hour and the limitations set him by temperament and talent. To none of them can the question have been harder than it was to King George VI.

To start with, his temperament was quite unsuited to a role which can be agreeable only to one who has a good deal of the exhibitionist in his make-up.

He was exceptionally shy and diffident. He had, moreover, a slight impediment of his speech which at times could be embarrassing to him. He had not received that special training and practice in the ceremonial and private role of the British monarchy which is, very properly, reserved for the Heir to the Throne.

Above all, there were the circumstances, painfully melodramatic, in which he undertook an office which he certainly did not wish. His elder brother had found the conditions of a modern kingship intolerable. George VI was not likely to find them much less unbearable.

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HE became King at a moment when the social, political and economic fabric of Britain, the Commonwealth and the world was subject to enormous stresses. War quickly loomed. In the Commonwealth a rapid process of political development went on. At home, sweeping changes in the structure of society brought new tensions of their own into play.

George VI's reign was a period in which every institution and almost every principle of life was called into question. There was never a time in which it was so necessary that the monarchy should remain as a fixed point round which change should revolve and evolution, however dizzy its speed, be held on the safe side of a monarchy. Yet the monarchy itself was inevitably shaken by the circumstances of his brother's departure from the throne.

If at the end of his reign, the Crown had resumed its ancient hold over the affections and loyalties of the nations of the Commonwealth, if at a time when every institution was challenged the institution of the monarchy remained stable, a chief part of the credit must be given to the modest and gentle figure who was the titular political head of all the British societies.

It may, indeed, be said that and all the credit should go to George VI. He had faithful servants both in the Palace and in Whitehall. A powerful bond of common interest and outlook united him with the solid middle portion of the people.

Above all, he enjoyed the sustaining help and comfort of the charming and spirited lady who was his Queen.

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ALL this is merely to say that the King had, with the help of those on whom he had the right to call, found his own answer to delicate question with which his reign, like every other reign, had opened.

He had given his own form to the British conception of a constitutional kingship, had done so in a delicate hour and against certain personal handicaps. How had he done it? On what was this personal triumph founded?

Basically it was built on the respect which the British people instinctively give to one who is manfully doing his best in a job which he manifestly dislikes. A people which has never shown much affection for brilliance is always ready to pay its tribute to one who cannot escape his duty yet shows an inflexible resolve in discharging it.

The King's hard-won conquest of his stammer was in itself a demonstration of grit that won him esteem.

It might be argued that his painful anxiety not to be in the foreground of the picture was a positive advantage when it came to the political side of his task.

But no King, however rigidly constitutional, has ever been a success through the mere accumulation of negative virtues. He has, in the end, to be a leader to his people. Where was George VI's leadership exerted?

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HE could not be a political figure. He had neither the desire nor the gifts for a glittering social leadership; as time passed the monarchy was shorn of even the financial means that this would involve. His was essentially a moral lead given at a time when moral standards were shaky. The public very soon realised that the home life of the Royal Family had an essential happiness and sweetness which was neither too old-fashioned nor too conventional.

This was something that could not fail to appeal. In Britain the questioning of moral values is rarely more than an intellectual exercise.

If the Royal home reflected the lively and cheerful disposition of the Queen, it was also a tribute to the sound and steadfast character of the King, his tolerance, good sense, and simplicity. (All this, however, is not to say that he had denied his share of the hereditary irascibility of the House of Windsor).

He was given by the public his portion of the admiration accorded to one who sits on one side of a happy fireside, that supreme ideal of the British.

And so by exercise of many unassuming virtues, by faithful obedience to the call of duty, onerous and ultimately exhausting as it was, by displaying that complex of qualities most conveniently described as those of a "gentleman."

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KING GEORGE VI reigned successfully over his people for 15 years, the monarchy adapted itself to extraordinary new conditions with an apparent ease, and, at the end it appeared that the man who had been Duke of York was not without some of that political sense which has contributed to make the British throne so illogical and so valuable an institution.

The ill-health which was so heavy a burden through his life — and has had so tragic a conclusion — made its first appearance during the Great War when Prince Albert, as he was called until 1920, was a midshipman in HMS Collingwood with the First Battle Squadron. Obstinate gastric trouble was at last diagnosed as duodenal ulcer.

This, though it involved an operation, did not prevent him from serving with the crew of a 12in. gun in the Battle of Jutland, a fitting climax to a naval education which had begun at the Naval College, Osborne. The man, who would have a longer experience of war than any British monarch since the Middle Ages, was, to his own great happiness, not denied a baptism of fire.

His marriage in 1923 to the Lady Elizabeth Bowes-Lyon, daughter of the Earl of Strathmore, whom he had known since childhood, was, as it turned out, the most successful single enterprise of his life.

The young couple settled at 145, Piccadilly, which was, before long, the scene of a healthy nursery which housed first Princess Elizabeth and, four years later, Princess Margaret Rose.

These years before his father's death in 1936 were passed by the young couple in the busy ceremonial life which falls to the younger son of a Sovereign. If the Duke of York had little natural aptitude for it, his consort made up for this by her vivacity and charm. But over these events, tedious as they sometimes were, there did not yet fall the shadow of kingly responsibility.

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BEFORE the death of his father this must at times have occurred as a possibility to one who knew something of the direction his elder brother's affection was taking. But he must have hoped that the crisis would somehow be averted. It was a hope that faded during the days of King Edward VIII's brief and eventful reign.

In the whole business of the Abdication, the man who became King George VI shone forth as a good and loyal brother. The letters which passed at that time between "David" (Edward VIII) and "Bertie" (George VI) give a pleasant picture of fraternal affection.

"Bertie" fully understands the dilemma in which his elder brother is placed. His sympathy never falters.

Nobody can read these documents, so simple and so sincere, without gaining the impression that, under the formidable wing of George V, a pleasant and devoted family had grown up. Not once did the will or ambition of the heir-presumptive add to the tension of the hour.

Not once did the King-to-be reproach the King-that-was for leaving so heavy a heritage to him. And his first act, on acceding, was to give the ex-King a fitting title as Duke of Windsor.

But he can scarcely have doubted that he was undertaking a task inevitably difficult at a time when its difficulties were abnormally enhanced.

One task he imposed on himself. He persisted with the exercises which the Australian specialist, Sir Lionel Logue, had prescribed for his hesitation in speech. The result was that, in the later part of his reign, he was able to deliver comparatively long address at a measured pace that was not ill-suited to Royal diction.

As his kingly title he chose the name "George" with probably the intention of emphasising at that moment the tone of moral uprightness and even severity which his father had set. Amid the Coronation splendours, with all their medieval discomforts, he bore himself with the dignity—and as much of the ease—that this ceremony permits to its leading actor.

Portrait of the late King, in Garter robes over the uniform of a Field Marshal, painted by Mr Maurice Godner for the Army's oldest regiment, the Honourable Artillery Company, of which George VI was Captain-General.

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AN early duty, undertaken in the deepening shadow of war, was the journey to Canada undertaken in 1939. His tour of that Commonwealth country was interrupted for a four-day visit to Washington and the United States. It was the first time that a British Sovereign had crossed the borders of the Union lost to the Crown in part at least by the obstinacy of his distant ancestor, George III.

The King returned to London in time for Mr Neville Chamberlain's efforts to save the peace of Europe by the diplomatic negotiations to which the general name of "Munich" is given. A year later, George VI hurried south from his shooting at Balmoral to hold a Privy Council that proved to be the forerunner of a graver sort of shooting.

In his broadcast on the night war was declared, the King told his people to stand "firm and united" and warned them that "dark days" were ahead.

They were, for country and King, too. No war since George VI's remoter ancestors had taken the field with sword and armour to risk all with their feudal levies, ever came so close to a British monarch. Buckingham Palace was bombed on nine occasions, on one of which the King and Queen through a window of their London house saw the bombs falling that were to wreck the Chapel Royal.

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THE King took the same risks as his subjects, carrying on with his work as they did. He would not have tolerated any other arrangement.

After the collapse of France, when a German onslaught was awaited, plans were drawn up for the Royal Family to leave for Canada.

It may be assumed that only in the direst need, only faced by the most imperative advice from his responsible Ministers, would George VI have left Britain.

When Parliament, in the days following victory, presented him with its congratulations, he replied, speaking to both Houses in Westminster Hall: "I have done my best to discharge my duty as constitutional Sovereign of a free people."

It was the claim of a singularly self-effacing man. Yet could any prouder or bolder assertion have been made by a man glittering with genius and personality? He added a few words of acknowledgment to the ceaseless help given him by the Queen. And it was true that in war as in peace, he had been blessed by all that a wife's grace and good sense can confer.

Peace brought with it a political transformation in Britain, the forerunner of huge and rapid economic changes.

A new and untried ruling class swept into power, which first heated and then cooled its enthusiasms and its ambitions.

In the Commonwealth overseas, constitutional revolution marched quickly.

India was divided with arbitrary haste—an operation over which the King's cousin presided as the last Viceroy of the Passing Empire.

Burma left the Commonwealth. The new India remained within its fold, though casting off allegiance to a monarch. Pakistan and Ceylon became Dominions, as Canada and Britain itself were Dominions. South Africa welcomed the King and Queen one year and in the next gave political power to the party that proposed to make the Union a republic.

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AMID such a welter of change, some of it ill-considered, some of it needless, many might have seen only the image of decay. George VI took a less superficial view. "Come what may," he said on one occasion, "nothing will ever shake my belief that this old country is at heart as young and vigorous as she has ever been."

The British monarchy had seen countless alterations over the years and the great-grandson of Victoria, who was also the descendant of Charles I, put his faith in the future welfare where the wisest of his forebears had put theirs — in a sturdy belief in the national character. After all, he was himself not a bad embodiment of the stolider British virtues even if he lacked the flamboyance of his elder brother or the intellectual eminence of his great-grand-father.

After the testing South African tour of 1947, the King's health showed the first real symptoms of decline. His appearance bore signs of fatigue and strain which, after a time, it was hoped he had cast off.

But an affection of the leg postponed a projected visit to Australia and graver trouble in his lung at last made this cherished journey impossible.

This is known to have been, during the last months of his life, an anxiety and a sorrow. Having no particular belief in his own magnetism, he believed that the free Commonwealth could best prosper with a King as the central human symbol and that the King must go to visit all his peoples.

He had greatness thrust upon him. But his reign, all too brief as it was, showed that he had the moral courage equal to his high responsibilities.

ODD SPOTS IN THE NEWS

BURIED TREASURE

ALBUQUERQUE New Mexico: Buried gold, perhaps legendary, perhaps real, has fascinated mankind throughout the centuries. In the wild mountains over the Mexican border there is just such a magnet. When roystering Pancho Villa, the Mexican bandit, was raiding United States territory 30 years ago, he is supposed to have accumulated and hidden seven million dollars in American gold. Now, off go seven students from the University of New Mexico, at Albuquerque, armed with an old map said to mark where the dollars are lurking.

NO GLAMOUR

JOHANNESBURG: Teen-age boys see no glamour in being a tram or bus conductor at a starting wage of £45 10s. a month plus a free uniform, travel and medical attention, a pension and leave privileges. Said a tramways official: "We have had only a few applications in answer to our advertisements for conductors from 18-year-olds." He suggested that boys do not like shift work and dislike wearing uniform.

UNEXPECTED PRIZE

RICHMOND, VIRGINIA: Not only a trophy, but a kiss, from the town's prettiest teenager 17-year-old Gwen Coyner was the prize for all 28 members of Company A in the Cadet Corps at the Thomas Jefferson High School in Richmond, after a drill competition. But smiles turned to frowns when word came from Gwen's home immediately afterwards that she had chickenpox.

BLACK WEDDING

PARIS: Yolene Bardin's wedding dress was black, with a black veil. For she was mourning for the man she was marrying. He was buried seven months ago. Yolene is the first woman to invoke a 12-year-old French law which allowed her to marry a dead man. Her story is the sort of sad romance much beloved of the French. Her fiance, Jacques Guineau was posted to Indo-China, so they planned to get married by mail. But before the marriage papers reached France from Indo-China for Yolene to countersign, Jacques was killed. Yolene, though, decided to go on with the wedding. Now she has become Mme. Jacques Guineau; her dowry—seven months of widow's pension. Her honeymoon — "To work to have my husband brought back and buried near me at home." The French Government say that the marriage is legal.

SEA-COOK'S ADVENTURES

HARSTAD, NORWAY: How many people could rival the record of a British sea-cook who was swept overboard not once, but twice, during a storm —and lived to tell the tale? It happend like this: While carrying a sack of cabbages to the galley during rough seas, he was swept overboard by a monster wave, and then tossed on board again. A moment later he was swept overboard a second time, but tossed back once more. Others of the crew found him unconscious on deck but still clutching his cabbages. At Harstad he was taken to hospital where he is making a good recovery.

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JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Try to Open Bidding In Part-Score Hand

	NORTH ♠ 10 5 ♥ K J 7 4 ♦ Q 6 5 ♣ K 10 6 6	19
WEST ♠ Q J 9 2 ♥ A Q 2 ♦ K 9 8 2 ♣ 4 3		EAST ♠ K 7 6 3 ♥ 10 8 ♦ A J 10 7 ♣ 9 7 5
	SOUTH (D) ♠ A 8 4 ♥ 9 6 5 3 ♦ 4 3 ♣ A Q J 2 East-West vul.	

South	West	North	East
1 ♣	Pass	1 ♥	Pass
2 ♥	Pass	3 ♣	Pass
3 ♥	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead—♠ 3

By OSWALD JACOBY

IN rubber bridge or in a total-point bridge contest a part-score contract is of only limited importance. You can't afford to bid too vigorously when the strength is evenly divided because it doesn't pay to expose yourself to a possibly severe penalty when all you can gain is a part-score.

The safest way to compete in these situations is to open the bidding with even the barest requirements for an opening bid. We can see the advantage of this procedure by examining a hand played in the recent contest for the team championship of the United States.

At one table, as shown in the diagram, South opened the bidding with his "minnie." The opponents just never entered the auction, and it is hard to blame them for staying out. They were vulnerable, and the penalty might be severe if they stepped out of line.

North made three hearts easily enough for a score of 140 points. He had to lose two diamonds and one spade, and good luck in the trump suit restricted his losses there to one trick.

In the other room, South decided that his hand was not worth an opening bid. Certainly his hand is no rock-crusher, but the point is that if he fails to open the bidding he may never be able to get back into the auction. This was indeed the case, for the bidding proceeded:

South	West	North	East
Pass	1 Spade	Pass	2 Spades
Pass	Pass	Pass	

This time it was West who made nine tricks with ease, for a score of 140 points. He had to lose a spade, a heart, and two clubs, and the overtrick depended only on guessing the location of the queen of diamonds.

The difference between opening the bidding and passing turned out to be 280 points. Quite a few points for a part-score hand.

CARD Sense

Q—The bidding has been:

West	North	East	South
1 Diamond	1 Heart	2 N.T.	Pass
3 N.T.	Pass	Pass	Pass

You, South, hold: Spades. 10-8-7-4, Hearts A-6-5, Diamonds 6-2, Clubs J-9-8-5. What do you lead?

A—Lead the three of hearts. You must keep the high heart to capture one of declarer's heart honours later on. This gives you your best chance to defeat the contract.

TODAY'S QUESTION

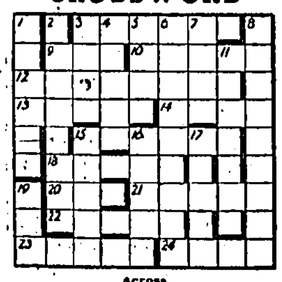
The bidding has been:

East	South	West	North
1 Heart	Pass	2 Clubs	Pass
2 Hearts	Pass	3 Hearts	Pass
4 Hearts	Pass	Pass	Pass

You, South, hold: Spades K-J-7-5, Hearts 10-9-6, Diamonds K-10-6-3, Clubs 5-2. What do you lead?

Answer Tomorrow

CROSSWORD



Across

1. Who made the sapper pant? (5)
5. Part of the lion's claw. (3)
10. On ale without company. (5)
12. Get a line in the pantry? (6)
13. Nothing but a small sister to provide refreshment. (5)
14. Make a note for me to go to the doctor. (4) 15. Clothing. (5)
16. The one to bring the ale in. (5)
20. Come back professor. (5)
21. A small advertisement in Rio. (5)
22. There's nothing as T.T. (5)
23. Arm to use when you steal? (5)
24. Rose producer? (4)

Down

1. Even a groan produces wool. (5)
2. Nice to see a pea slant. (8)
3. Not the ones you slap. (4)
4. What the carol singer may do for a reward. (5)
5. Stellar return. (6)
6. Wash out. (9)
7. How many get on in the North-East? (6)
8. Nothing timid about this sort of animal. (9)
11. Said to overtake the wicked. (7)
18. Even a foot may be stand-offish. (6) 15. It's roost. (5)
17. The sere of the world? (5)
19. You get this gin at the border. (5)

Solution of yesterday's puzzle.—Across: 1. Manner; 9. Quasar; 11. Cairn; 12. Gem; 13. Blood; 15. Lad; 18. Pride; 19. Voice; 20. Tentative; 23. Alert; 24. Ken; 25. Mandy. Down: 1. Mocassin; 2. Cluster; 3. Sea-dog; 4. Narcotic; 5. Keep; 6. Rim; 7. Mead; 10. Quinine; 16. Piety; 14. Delete; 17. Card; 18. Ever.

Check Your Knowledge

1. The feeler of an insect is known as?
2. What important part did William C. Gongas play in the construction of the Panama Canal?
3. What is a heptagon?
4. What great military college is found in South Carolina?
5. What is a tappet?
6. Montgomery is the capital of what state of America?

(Answers on Page 10)

"Try to have a good time, Mrs Lee, and forget what you're paying me!"

• BY • THE • WAY •

by Beachcomber

A MAN who was rebuked for appearing in court with his boots in his hand recalled to me a midnight roysterer who made his uncertain way homewards, and when he found himself at the foot of a flight of stairs, undressed completely, to avoid waking up his fellow-lodgers by banging about his bedroom.

When he reached the top of the stairs, stark naked, he found himself confronting an angry ticket inspector at Baker-street, who refused to let him pass.

A training-ship for clowns?

MRS WITHERSEDGE, caretaker of the Savoy Mrs Flobster, informs me that the bounding barque has been lent, by kind permission of Rear-Admiral Sir Ewart Hodgson, to the Braxted-road Gasworks Brass Band for rehearsals. "One blast on them instruments," said the portly chatelaine of this crumbling ruin, "orter pretty well break whatever ain't broken yet aboard." Mr Jeff Hobstable, treasurer of the band, paid a short and instructive visit of inspection to the craft yesterday. The visit was instructive because he was able to ascertain that the principal cabin had no floor, and short because he fell into a henrun amidships. "They orter make 'er a trainin' ship for clowns," said Mrs Witheredge, as she wedged a broken porthole with a broken kettle.

The Chepstow egg

DEAR SIR,

It has never been claimed that the Chepstow egg was a perfect square. It has the appearance of a square, but that is all. Whether or not it was laid sideways, whatever that may mean, has nothing to do with it. Does anyone ever ask if the ordinary oval egg is laid sideways? Experiments with cardboard model eggs are waste of time, because the hen is not a cardboard model but a living creature, as can be proved conclusively.

Yrs. truly
Monica Jopley-Crawford.

In passing

WHENEVER I see a photograph of an author in his study I am struck by the appearance of his books. They repose on costly shelves, and are all richly and expensively bound. They stand in neat rows, not one book out of place. In fact, they look as though they were never used. You couldn't ask such beautiful books to come down into the hurly-burly of daily life and be read. Does the author really live like that, or is it that the photographer thinks this appearance of wealth and ordered ease is good publicity? I neither know nor care.

YOUR BIRTHDAY.... By STELLA

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8

BORN today, you are always interested in new and exciting things. You are fond of travel and the stimulation that new places and fresh faces will give you. You have considerable literary and artistic talent and may find that it can be developed in a number of different spheres. You have a good memory and are known as a "quick study." This would be useful if you were to select a career on the stage. You also would make a good attorney, being an excellent person to make the plea before a jury.

You have the capacity for acquiring fresh knowledge wherever you go. In fact, your interests are so broad that you are rather apt to scatter your energies a little too widely. Be warned against becoming superficial in your attitudes.

You like to make a good impression and consequently are quite sensitive to the opinions of your friends. You are apt to become depressed if alone too much. You will doubtless be happiest if you wed quite early in life. Although reserved in manner, you are deeply affectionate and your love is loyal, once it has been given.

To find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Put your best foot forward, especially if you have an important interview.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—Don't hold a grudge. Forget the past and you will find that your future is much happier.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—A fine day for entertaining. Be friendly. Invite guests to your home for dinner, perhaps.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Emotions and sympathies must not be permitted to influence your best judgment today.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—Don't let determination become stubbornness. Give in, if necessary, to be diplomatic.

CANCER (June 22-July 23)—Don't rush into any decision. Take things easy, one problem at a time!

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Long-range plans that you have been working on can now be put into action.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—Stimulate your interest in some serious subject by doing some concentrated reading in the field.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—Your home may need a little redecorating. Now is the time to do it!

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—Perhaps changing the furniture around at home will give you a feeling of variety.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—Don't depart from your usual weekend routine. Follow your normal schedule.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—If asked to operate a new piece of machinery, be sure you get full and explicit directions first.

BARBS

By HAL COCHRAN

COLLEGE bred is sometimes just a four-year loaf.

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"According to an etiquette book, some things just aren't done in restaurants. We know about steak—what are the other things?

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Three volunteer firemen in an Indiana town answered an alarm in their pyjamas. And hose to match?

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You can count on your fingers the friends you can really count on.

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The best wisecrack of all the year is any old smile from ear to ear.

CHESS PROBLEM

By R. GEVERS

Black, 10 pieces.

White, 9 pieces.

White to play: mate in two.

Solution to yesterday's problem:

1, Q—Kt5; threat 2, P×Kt (dis ch). 1 . . B—Q7; 2, R—B4; 1 . . . B—R4, Kt5; 2, P—Q4 (ch); 1 . . . B×P; 2, P—B6 (dis ch).

INTELLIGENCE TEST

CRONIES

By T. O. HARE

"WHEN we were young men," said Weasel, a small group of us used to meet every Saturday night. We called ourselves the Cronies. Some of us are married now, but we still keep up our meetings; and those who are married bring their wives. Each month a reception committee organises our entertainment; it consists of two of the Cronies and of two Cronies' wives. But no husband and wife may sit on the committee together. This month, neither of the men on the committee is married.

"The personnel of the committee is completely changed each month. Incidentally, there are 60 different ways in which the committee can be constituted."

How many of the Cronies are bachelors?

(Solution on Page 10)

WOMANSENSE

NEW ITEMS FOR YOUR KITCHEN

By ELEANOR ROSS

GADGETS and kitchen utensils are in wonderful supply, and if you are shopping for gifts or for your own household, chances are that you'll find many items to make your household tasks more efficient and items that should prove a boon to the man or maid who is keeping bachelor hall.

One of the most beautiful storage cabinets extant is fashioned of unfinished blond wood and is fitted with heavy glass drawers of various sizes. It holds not only spice jars and tins but flour, sugar and other seasonings.

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We admired a beauty that had been ordered as a gift for a young couple who are building their home. The clever idea was to incorporate the cabinet right into the new kitchen. But it would be perfectly at home on any kitchen work surface, too.

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It's just about last call to do over the cabinet and cupboard shelves. Washable and grease-resistant plastic shelving is the cue for bright kitchen duty. One house that makes a comprehensive line of shelf and edging patterns has come up with matching place mats, particularly colourful in polka dot designs. This type of plastic shelving is a good choice, too, for protecting and prettying walls behind stoves and sinks and for covering kitchen work surfaces.

Not exactly inexpensive but well worth its price tag is an electric snack server, a boon if ever we met up with one. It has two-heat control, and it both cooks food and keeps it piping hot. Three heat-proof containers each of one and a half quart capacity fit into a chromium stand with white plastic handles and supports. The outer cabinet is filled with water, and the server plugged into an outlet. Come summer, packed with ice, it becomes a food cooler, and certainly a fine adjunct to summer entertaining and as an auxiliary for the small refrigerator.

Inexpensive and a grand buy is a new electric bean pot, finely fashioned of brown earthenware fitted onto a special aluminium hot plate. Soups or stews or any dish that must simmer for hours should do fine in this cooking appliance, a nice gift for the career girl or a college student.

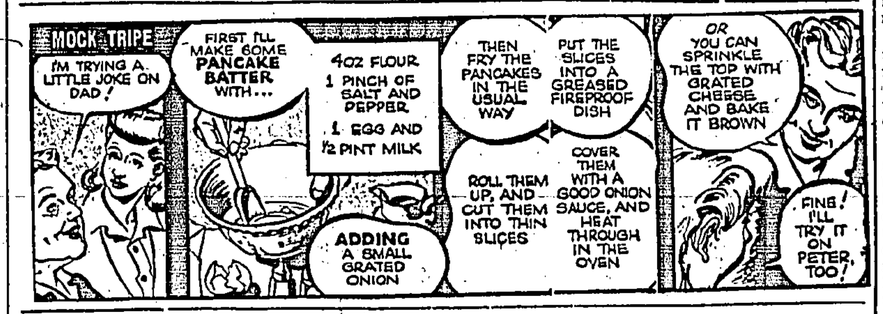
WEDDING GIFT

For a really handsome kitchen accessory, and a nice choice for a wedding gift as well as for Easter giving is a bread box and canister set all of copper. It's expensive as to price tag, but should last and last, and always look handsome.

As nice a gift as we can think of are those new sets of co-ordinated kitchen aids, terry cloth towels, dish cloths, pot holders in all sorts of colourful stripe effects. What kitchen couldn't do with such a lift, we ask you? A fine small gift idea!

WHEN BUTTONS ARE NOT FUNCTIONAL

BEAUTIFUL buttons sometimes cease to be functional and become extremely ornamental—thanks to far-sighted manufacturers who have discovered that a button isn't just a button any more. No less a designer than Jean Desses uses buttons to beautify one of his prettiest creations of the season. Fashioned of layers of diaphanous chiffon, the dress is topped by a white chiffon decolletage in which are nested spa kling rhinestone buttons.



BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

Knarf Doesn't Have Any Fun

—No One He Meets Will Let Him Do Anything—

By MAX TRELL

KNARF, the shadow-boy with the turned-about name, walked down the street. On the corner stood a policeman who was directing traffic. Knarf watched him for a while, then he went up to the policeman and said: "Sir, would you mind letting me blow your whistle?". But the policeman paid no attention whatever to Knarf, and Knarf walked on.

As he walked, Knarf said to himself: "I wish that policeman had let me blow his whistle. It would have been a lot of fun making the automobiles stop and go every time I blew it. Well, it's too bad he wouldn't let me."

Hole in the Street

Knarf walked down several more streets when he came to a man who was swinging a pick-axe and making a hole in the street. For a minute or two Knarf watched this man, then he went up to him and said: "Sir, would you let me use your pickaxe?" The man paid no attention to Knarf and Knarf walked on.

"What a shame," said Knarf to himself. "It would have been a lot of fun digging a hole in the ground with a pickaxe. I wish he had let me use it."

Then Knarf turned the corner and came on a man who was starting to climb up a telephone pole. The man had big spikes on the sides of his shoes.

"Please, sir," said Knarf, "would you mind lending me those spikes on your shoes so I can climb a telephone pole?". But the man paid no attention to Knarf.

"Isn't that a shame," Knarf said to himself, "that the telephone man wouldn't let me borrow his spikes so I could climb a telephone pole?"

Bags of Groceries

Then Knarf came to a boy who was getting ready to push a delivery truck filled with bags of groceries. "Please," said Knarf to the boy, "would you mind letting me push that delivery truck? To Knarf's disappointment, the delivery boy didn't even bother to answer Knarf. He just pushed his delivery truck away, and Knarf continued down the street.

"I don't know why he couldn't have let me push his delivery truck," said Knarf in a sorrowful voice. "It would have been a lot of fun for me."

Knarf walked several more blocks. All at once he came on a postman delivering letters from a big leather bag strapped around his shoulders. "Mr Postman," said Knarf, "would you please do me a favour and let me deliver some of those letters?" But the postman paid no attention to Knarf. Knarf kept walking on.

He met a fireman, a bus driver, a plumber, a man with a riveting machine, a carpenter, a boot-black, a street cleaner, a frankfurter man, a man operating a steam shovel, a window-cleaner and a sign painter. "Please, sir," Knarf said to each of them, "would you let me help you?" But not a single one of them would.

"Mr Postman," said Knarf, "would you please do me a favour?"

Sweeping the Floor

Finally Knarf got home again. He went to his room. There he found his sister Hanid sweeping the floor with a large broom.

Did Knarf ask Hanid: "Please Hanid, lend me that broom so that I can sweep the floor?"

He did.

And did Hanid let him?

She did indeed! She was very, very glad to have Knarf help her do the cleaning.

And Knarf was glad that someone let him help, though he still would have been happier if the policeman, the fireman, the postman and all the others had let him help them, too.

"But maybe," said Knarf as he swept the floor, "they all thought I was too small to help. I'll ask them again, when I'm bigger."

Smart—Features

A hat in cinnamon brocade satin decorated with black crane feathers with gloves and umbrella to match was one of the smart features of the show given by the Associated Millinery Designers of London.

DE LUXE ROLLS AND SPECIAL HAMBURGERS

By ALICE DENHOFF

JUST a batch of useful suggestions today. At least, we do hope you'll find some of these ideas of use in the job of planning those three squares a day, not to mention guest refreshments and extra snacks.

First of all, a good notion for those plain brown-and-serve rolls, so popular these times. Use them as a base for delicious variety rolls by the addition of extra ingredients.

For example, to make flavourful jelly or marmalade rolls, brush the tops of the rolls with butter and make a lengthwise cut in the top of each. Insert ½ tsp. jelly or marmalade into the cuts. Bake the rolls in a greased shallow pan at 400 F. for 12 min. Beginner-homemakers will find this idea particularly good.

Another excellent beginner trick is to make that all-time favourite, scrambled eggs, even more attractive, especially as a luncheon or supper dish. For every 2 eggs, allow one well mashed anchovy. Season with lemon juice, pepper and onion juice to taste. When eggs are almost cooked, add anchovy mixture. Heap scrambled eggs on hot buttered toast, sprinkle paprika over the eggs and serve piping hot.

For Mealtime Lift

A light meal gets a good lift if a hearty and satisfying soup such as a chowder is there to lead off the procession. Corn Chowder is really nice, and a good bowl of it adds up to a nice supper special.

To serve 5, fry 2 tbsp. diced bacon until crisp and remove from pan. Then fry 2 tbsp. each of chopped onion and chopped green pepper in bacon fat. Mix bacon, onion and pepper with 2 c. cream style corn, 2 c. milk, tsp. salt, pepper and paprika to taste. Heat thoroughly in a saucepan, but be careful not to boil. Serve with oyster crackers.

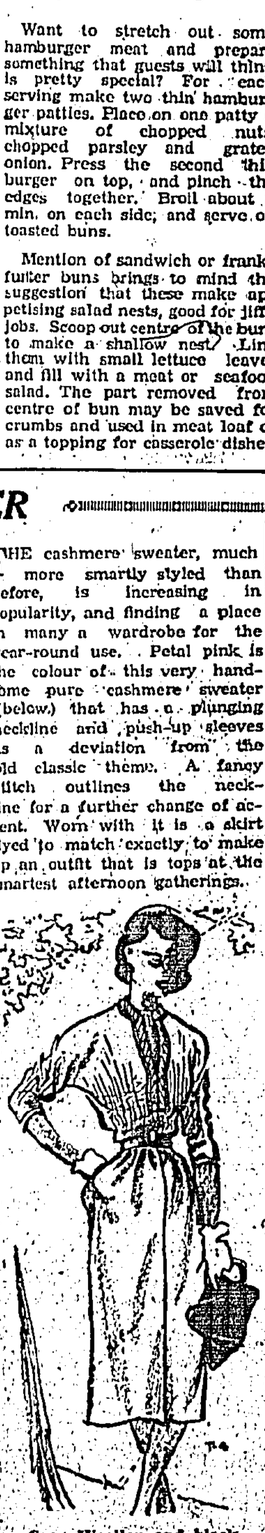
Special Hamburgers

Want to stretch out some hamburger meat and prepare something that guests will think is pretty special? For each serving make two thin hamburger patties. Place on one patty a mixture of chopped nuts, chopped parsley and grated onion. Press the second thin burger on top, and pinch the edges together. Broil about 8 min. on each side; and serve on toasted buns.

Mention of sandwich or frankfurter buns brings to mind the suggestion that these make appetising salad nests, good for jiffy jobs. Scoop out centre of the buns to make a shallow nest. Line them with small lettuce leaves and fill with a meat or seafood salad. The part removed from centre of bun may be saved for crumbs and used in meat loaf or as a topping for casserole dishes.

THE SWEATER GIRL

THE cashmere sweater, much more smartly styled than before, is increasing in popularity, and finding a place in many a wardrobe for the year-round use. Petal pink is the colour of this very handsome pure cashmere sweater (below) that has a plunging neckline and push-up sleeves as a deviation from the old classic theme. A fancy stitch outlines the neckline for a further change of accent. Worn with it is a skirt dyed to match exactly, to make up an outfit that is tops at the smartest afternoon gatherings.



Sweater and skirt.

THE sweater and skirt, that used to be very much on the casual side, has advanced several notches on the fashion scale, to become a most attractive and well handled style. Here it is in the very newest version, one that you can see has plenty of appeal. (above). The sweater, which has a hand-made look, is in cherry red, and has a V neck and short puffed sleeves. With it is worn a skirt of fine French flannel in coffee cream brown. It is very slim, with an inverted front pleat that is arrow-stitched on either side. One large pocket, actually slit at the hip, is double stitched. A cherry red leather belt slips through the tabs.

Gray Woollen and black.

Rupert and the Pine Ogre—3

The Guide Beryl tells Rupert that her pals Pauline and Janet are near, and she leads him to join them. To his surprise they have small sacks about the same size as his own. "We're collecting things, too," she says, "we're looking for acorns, but we haven't had much luck so far, although there are lots of oak trees about everywhere." "Well, I haven't found any pine trees yet," says Rupert, "but there must be some not far away. Let's meet here in about two hours and see who has collected the most."

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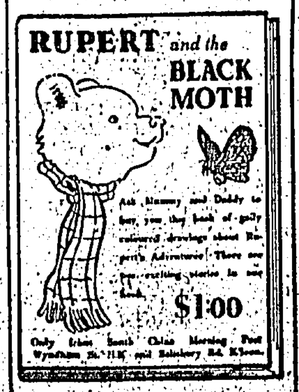


World Table Tennis Championships

HONGKONG'S PLAYERS ALL ELIMINATED AFTER SURVIVING THREE ROUNDS

Bombay, Feb. 7.

Hongkong was knocked completely out of both the men's and women's sections of the World Singles Table Tennis Championships here today after its players had fought their way to the fourth round.

The Hongkong Champion, Sih Su-cho, went down after a thrilling five-set match against Josef Koczian of Hungary, who entered the quarter-final.

The score was 13-21, 21-18, 13-21, 21-5, 21-15.

Hongkong's No. 2, Fu Chi-fang, succumbed to Ferenc Sido, another Hungarian, in straight sets—21-19, 21-16, 21-14.

The Portuguese player, Rosa Duque, disposed of Hongkong's Keung Wing-ning 21-18, 20-22, 21-18, 21-16.

In the Women's Singles, Linda Wortl of Austria eliminated Miss Wong Pei-yiu of Hongkong in four sets, while Miss Mok Wun-king lost in straight sets.

From over 100 men's singles matches only three of the seeded players emerged into the quarter-final — Koczian, Sido and Roothooft (France).

DAY OF THRILLS

On a day of thrills Roothooft withstood some furious hitting in the fourth round by Fujuji, conqueror of Bergmann, to win in four games.

Angelica Roosennu, Rumanian holder of the Women's Singles title, easily won her first match, a second round encounter, in which she beat Wong Oi-lan of Hongkong 21-4, 21-6, 21-9.

A surprise result in this round was the defeat by the Scottish player, Helen Elliot, of Shizuka Narahara of Japan, a member of the winning Corbillon Cup team.

Miss Elliot won 22-20, 9-21, 22-20, 21-16.

The sensation of the day, however, was the fourth round defeat of the Singles Champion, Johnny Leach of England, by Guy Amouretti of France. The score was 21-13, 10-21, 21-9 and 21-15.

The manner in which Leach disposed of Savero of Brazil in the third round seemed to indicate that he was back in form. But against Amouretti he was erratic, and his half-hearted drives were firmly dealt with by the stylish Frenchman.

Fujuji was worth every point he scored against Bergmann in their third round tie, his withering forehand being a potent winner. After he had lost the first two games, the Japanese recovered his deadly form and, with a stream of unplayable smashes, took the next three games for match.

QUARTER-FINALISTS

Joining Amouretti in the quarter-finals of the men's singles were the following fourth round winners:

Rene Roothooft (France) beat Fujuji 18-21, 21-17, 22-20, 21-17.

Josef Koczian (Hungary) beat Sih Su-cho (Hongkong) 13-21, 21-18, 13-21, 21-5, 21-15.

Michel Lanskoy (France) beat T. Hiruvengadam (India) 21-15, 21-9, 17-21, 21-16.

Ferenc Sido (Hungary) beat Fu Chi-fang (Hongkong) 21-19, 21-16, 21-14.

Hirosi Satoh (Japan) beat Tran Van Lieu (Vietnam) 21-8, 21-6, 21-12.

Douglas Cartland (United States) beat Mai Das Hon (Vietnam) 18-21, 13-21, 21-13, 21-16, 21-14.

Rosa Duque (Portugal) beat Keung Wing-ning (Hongkong) 21-18, 20-22, 21-18, 21-16.

Sih Su-cho of Hongkong entered the fourth round by defeating Michel Haguenauer of France 16-21, 21-14, 21-19, 21-19.

In the same round Keung Wing-ning beat E. Gyelwai of Hungary 21-15, 21-19, 19-21, 21-11.—Reuter.

Soccer Teams To Tour Canada

Toronto, Feb. 7.

Canadian soccer fans will see two English First Division teams this year, Tottenham Hotspurs and Manchester United.

The Spurs are scheduled to play the opening game of a 10-game series in Toronto on May 22 against an all-star Ontario team.

Manchester and Tottenham will meet here on June 14 and again at New York on June 17.—Associated Press.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

FOURTH RACE MEETING

Saturday, 16th February, 1952

(Held under the Rules of The Hong Kong Jockey Club)

There are 9 races. The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. and the First Race will be run at 2.00 p.m.

Through Tickets (9 Races — $18.00) may be obtained at the Compradore Office of the Treasurers, 1st Floor, Telephone House, also tickets for the Special Cash Sweep on the "Pearce Memorial Cup" scheduled to be run on 16th February, 1952.

Through Tickets reserved for this Meeting but not paid for by 10.00 a.m. on Friday, 15th February, will be sold and the reservation cancelled for future meetings.

THERE WILL BE NO SPECIAL CASH SWEEP ON THE LAST RACE.

To avoid congestion at the Club's Office at Telephone House, non-members are requested to purchase their sweep tickets at the Club's Branch Offices at:—

5, D'Aguilar Street, Hong Kong

or

382 Nathan Road, Kowloon

TOTALISATOR

The attention of Totalisator Investors is drawn to the following rules:—

Dividends will be paid on the winning and placed ponies so declared by the Stewards when the "All Clear" is given. The "All Clear" signal will be indicated by a white light and/or a white sphere at the Totalisator Towers. BACKERS ARE ADVISED NOT TO DESTROY OR THROW AWAY THEIR TICKETS UNTIL AFTER THE "ALL CLEAR" SIGNAL HAS BEEN EXHIBITED.

Totalisator Tickets should be examined and checked before leaving the Selling Counters as mistakes of any description cannot be rectified later.

Cash received in respect of Dividends should be checked before leaving the Pay-Out Counters as no claim for short payment of the value of tickets presented can be entertained once Investors have left the Counters.

All winning tickets and tickets for refunds must be presented for payment at the Race Course on the day to which they refer, but none will be paid later than one hour after the time for which the last race of the day has been scheduled to be run.

In no circumstances will any Dividends be paid or refunds made unless a ticket is produced. Payment WILL NOT be made on torn or disfigured tickets.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE

Members and guests are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting ladies not in possession of Brooches or Season tickets and gentlemen, non-members of the Club, to the Members' Enclosure and the Club Rooms at $10.00 including tax, for ladies or gentlemen are obtainable through the Secretary at Telephone House, on the written or personal introduction of a Member, such member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for payment of all chits, etc.

Only a limited number of badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will be on sale at the Race Course.

The Branch Offices and the Treasurers' Compradore Office will close at 11.00 a.m. and the Secretary's Office at 11.45 a.m. The Treasurers' Compradore Office and the Secretary's Office are situated at 1st Floor, Telephone House.

A limited number of tiffins will be obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 27818).

NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is $3.00 including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

BOOKMAKERS, TIC TAC MEN, ETC., WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO OPERATE WITHIN THE PRECINCTS OF THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

MEALS AND REFRESHMENTS WILL BE OBTAINABLE IN THE RESTAURANT IN THE PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

SERVANTS' PASSES

Servants' passes will be issued to private box holders only, who are requested to distribute them with discrimination and to endorse their names on the passes. Holders of such passes are not permitted in the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties and must remain in their employers' stands.

Owing to the congestion in the Members' Betting Hall and at Booths adjacent to Boxes in the Coffee Room, Box-holders and Members are requested to ensure that their servants make use only of the Public Betting Hall. Military Police will be posted at various points in the enclosure to ensure that this regulation is adhered to.

By Order,
H. MISA,
Secretary.

Referees' Assn Hold Meeting

The Hongkong Football Referees' Association held its monthly meeting last night with Mr L.G. Young presiding.

The annual dinner of the Association was provisionally fixed for March 6.

Many technical points regarding refereeing were discussed at the meeting.

At the monthly meeting of the Hongkong Football Referee Association last night, a one-minute silence was observed by those attending the meeting in memory of the late King.

TENNIS AT LRC

The following are the results of matches played in the ladies' doubles progressive tennis tournament at the Ladies' Recreation Club on Wednesday:

Mauves.—1st, Mrs E. E. Story, 25 games.

Greens.—1st, Mme Preau, 22 games.

NOTICE

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

The Club's property at Happy Valley is being lent to the Hong Kong Kennel Club for a Dog Show on Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th February, 1952. The premises will close to Members at 12 Noon on Saturday and 10 a.m. on Sunday. The Badminton Courts will be closed all day Friday 8th, Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th February.

During the Show the Private Boxes, Coffee Room, Bar, Ladies' Lounge and the upper verandah will be open and reserved for the use of Members of the Jockey Club who attend the Show (admission $3.00 adults and $1.00 for Service personnel in uniform and children under 16, payable at the Public gate).

Members of the Jockey Club attending the Show and who wish to make use of the Club Rooms and upper verandah must wear their Member's Badge, otherwise they will not be admitted thereto.

By Order,
H. MISA,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 6th Feb., 1952.

SPURS HELP GAMES FUND

Members of the Tottenham Hotspurs First Division side entered a fresh field when they played against a "house" team in a darts match at the Cock Hotel, Cockfosters, to raise money for the Olympic Games Appeal Fund.

Photo shows some of the Spurs team signing a football which was auctioned during the evening in aid of the Fund. They are, left to right, Ted Ditchburn, Walters, Medley, Ron Burgess (Captain) and Ducquemin.

World Mourns The Passing Of A Fine Sportsman

The world mourns the passing of a fine sportsman. King George VI was not a natural all-rounder, but by his very enthusiasm and determination made himself proficient at all sports to which he turned his hand.

He will in particular be remembered as a tennis player of more than average ability. In 1920 he won the RAF Doubles title with Sir Louis Greig. Six years later, with the same partner, he made history when as the Duke of York he became the first member of the Royal Family to compete at Wimbledon.

He had a strong left-handed service and a powerful forehand drive but despite these assets he and Sir Louis were defeated in three straight sets by H. Roper Barrett and A. W. Gore.

A GOOD GOLFER

His ability as a golfer was not widely known. But had he not become weighed down with duties he might have made a really first-class player.

Both tennis and golf he played left-handed. His early coaching was received from the late "Sandy" Herd, Open Champion in 1902, who declared that he had never had a more enthusiastic pupil.

He got his handicap down to eight and when he played himself in as Captain of the Royal and Ancient St. Andrew's in 1930 he hit the drive approaching 300 yards.

A "HAT-TRICK"

As a cricketer he once had the distinction of bowling his grandfather, father and brother Edward in successive balls. This was during his days at the Dartmouth Naval Training College where the ball is now mounted in commemoration of the feat.

Polo and squash rackets were two other games he enjoyed. However, on his accession to the throne his opportunities for active participation in any form of sport were much handicapped.

But as a spectator his interest was unabated. Altogether he attended seven Football Association Cup Finals at Wembley, the last in 1950 when he presented the trophy to Mercer, the Arsenal captain.

King George VI, like his father, devoted considerable attention to racing. Several fine horses ran in his colours and in 1942 at Newmarket they won four of five classics. Big Game took the 2,000 Guineas and Sun Chariot carried off the 1,000 Guineas, the Oaks and St. Leger.

His last big success was in October last year when Above Board won the Cesarewitch.

SHOOTING ENTHUSIAST

No mention of his sporting activities would be complete without reference to his love of shooting. He was an expert who inherited much of his ability from his father, one of the six best shots in the country.

King George VI liked nothing better when at Sandringham than to rise at 4 a.m. to shoot duck. From other members of his shooting parties he demanded the high standard he set himself and if he thought that the guests were leaving the birds to him they were quickly rebuked.

Right up to the end he retained his love of outdoor life. He had been hare shooting on the very morning before his death and had arranged to lead a party again the next day.—London Express Service.

Sharp Division Of Opinion On Special Training

By ARCHIE QUICK

There is a sharp division of opinion over the benefits of special training for footballers. Most clubs believe in it; some do not.

The usual routine is golf, brine baths, theatres and workouts on the local football ground. But the evenings drag. Most of the players prefer home cooking, and evenings with their families, but managers persist—and so away they go.

A new angle is that part-time professionals are taken away from their jobs, and only quite recently two stars in Scottish "A" Division football refused to go away from their University studies, and they have not been in the first eleven since.

On the reverse side Notts County and West Bromwich Albion at Brighton were happy in the surroundings in which Manager Herbert Chapman took Arsenal to world fame two score years ago—the same hotel on Brighton's front, the same Brighton Hove Albion FC ground and the same Dyke Golf Club high up on the South Downs.

As Tommy Lawton said while playing golf: "We are in the presence of a past and great generation of footballers." The ghosts must have been the men I know there—Moss, Parker, Male, Hapgood, Crayston, Hill, John, Roberts, Hulme, Buchan, Jack, Drake, Lambert, James, Bastin and so on.

These were great days. Alex James passing a fitness test on the eve of a Cup Final, being tried out a second time by trainer (now manager) Tom Whittaker and breaking down. Goalkeeper Purdy playing so badly in a trial match on the eve of another Cup Final that even I scored a "hat trick" against him—and yet proving himself a hero in the Final within 48 hours.

Now everything is so much grimmer. Players, instead of leg-pulling as Arsenal's Frankie Hill (now Bromley manager) used to do, are regimented. And I cannot help feeling that they are no better for it. In the old days they ate what they liked; now the fare is strictly restricted to boiled chicken, boiled fish—and no sweets; at least on match days.

—(London Express Service)

SENIOR "B" DIVISION TEAMS ARE TO BE COMMENDED FOR TAKING BLACKHAWKS ON

Says "GRANDSTAND"

The Senior "B" Division teams, are to be commended for their sporting acceptance of the challenge from the Junior League Blackhawks as it is not often that a senior outfit will condescend to meet a minor loop squad, and in this case it is in response to a genuine desire by the Hawks to test their strength.

The Senior teams are serious in their effort to preserve the jealously guarded honour of their division, and have worked out an all-star side which will include the cream of the US Navy, Warriors and Red Sox.

Fans who have watched the Junior League games know too well that the Blackhawks, who have chalked up 15 consecutive victories, are not to be underrated, for even though they may not be able to solve the lightning pitches, they are fleet-footed when it comes to base-running.

Rene Sequeira, who has taken charge of all junior affairs, will have all his regulars out in full strength, with the assistance of a couple of base-coaches just to ensure that nothing goes wrong with the signals in the eagerly sought after tussle.

HAWKS' LINE-UP

The Hawks starting line-up will be: Rennie Barretto, Donel Remedios (pitchers); Alvaro Souza (catcher); Marcus Souza (1st base); Carlinho Xavier (2nd base); Manu Remedios (3rd base); Eddie Loureiro (shortstop); Manuel Nunes (left field); Eddie Remedios (centre field); Gerry Remedios (right field); Sonnie Sequeira, Al Turner, Ricardo Ribeiro, Frankie Loureiro (utilities).

Pitted against this threat, the All-Stars have been into a huddle and have come up with a terrific selection, which includes fireballer Billings (US Navy) and Joey Franco (Warriors) sharing the pitching assignment with Pop Graff and Peter Hahn as the receivers.

The rest of the side comprises: Bill Jenkins (1st base), Dick Jenkins (2nd base); Ray Aldequer, Reggie Viera (3rd base); J. Pereira (shortstop); and Jimmy Cheng, V. Britto, Mamie Xavier, Bernie Brown and Ihrig in the outfield.

Whichever side wins, fans can be assured that the outcome will be very close indeed, and the Association will make an attempt to schedule this game for next week, provided it does not upset the revised programme.

MIDGET LEAGUE

The Midget League is slated to commence at the end of this month, and it is understood that the Eaglets have applied for inclusion, to make it a four-way series. The mighty mites are looking forward to this series and have been lugging their bats out to King's Park almost daily in preparation for the contest.

It is understood that the Schoolboys' Association may be asked to conduct this league in the future as a means of attracting more school entries as well as to facilitate contact between the league management and the responsible manager of the team and his players.

In the last game between the Rexes and a visiting Macao side, Samet Samy of the Rexes was rudely shaken as a result of a collision with a base-runner, and this has resulted in his being side-lined for the remainder of the season.

Whether this will affect the pennant chances of the Rexes or not depends on mentor Tipe who will have to find a replacement at the hot-corner.

HOW THEY STAND

Senior "A" Division

	Won	Lost	Pctg
Jaguars	7	2	.778
Saints	7	3	.700
Pandas	7	5	.583
Braves	5	4	.556
Madcaps	5	4	.556
Overseas	4	4	.500
South China	2	6	.250
Canadians	0	9	.000

Senior "B" Division

US Navy	10	2	.833
Warriors	9	4	.692
Red Sox	7	6	.538
Americans	5	7	.417
Baseballers	3	9	.250
Dodgers	2	10	.167

Junior League

Blackhawks	15	0	1.000
Delawares	12	3	.800
Rexes	10	3	.769
Pandas	9	4	.692
Aces	9	6	.600
Griffins	9	6	.600
Blue Sox	9	7	.563
South China	4	11	.267
Dodgers	4	12	.250
Dragons	3	12	.200
Wildfires	3	12	.200
Bantams	2	13	.133

Ladies' League

Wahoos	7	1	.875
Squaws	6	2	.818
Pool To	1	7	.125
South China	1	8	.111

Middlesex "A" Lead In H.K. Bisley Shoot

Two more events in the annual Hongkong Bisley Shoot, which is being held at Stonecutters Island, were concluded yesterday.

Firing was hampered in the early stages yesterday morning owing to bad light. The weather improved later on and from 11 a.m. conditions were ideal.

With one more event to go in the Unit Championship, Middlesex "A" are still in the lead with 85 points, closely followed by Royal Ulster Rifles "A" with 83 points. HMS Tamar "A" are in third place with 81 points.

A keen tussle for honours is taking place in Individual Championship, in which there are two more events to be completed. Major Wilson is at present leading the field with 331 points, one point ahead of his nearest rival, Rfn Herbert, who in turn is only one point ahead of Cpl Stafford.

Following are the results of yesterday's firing:

Event 3. The "Sporting Arms" Cup.—1, Middlesex "A" team, 331 points; 2, Royal Ulster Rifles "A" team, 330 points; 3, Northumberland Fusiliers "A" team, 319 points.

Individual.—1, Major Wilson, NF, 91 points; 2, Cpl D. Castor, Mx, 91 points (counted out); 3, Rfn Herbert, RM, 90 points.

Event 5, The "San Miguel" Cup.—1, HMS Tamar "B" team, 97 points; 2, Middlesex "A" team, 93 points; 3, Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders "A" team, 77 points.

The following are the standings in the Unit Championship, with one more event to go:

1, Middlesex "A" team, 83 points; 2, Royal Ulster Rifles "A" team, 83 points; 3, Tamar "A" team, 81 points.

Standings in the Individual Championship, with two more events to go, are as follows:

1, Major Wilson, 331 points; 2, Rfn Herbert, RM, 330 points; 3, Cpl Stafford, RUR, 329 points.

Firing will continue to-day, to-morrow and Sunday.

Queen's College Athletic Sports

The finals of Queen's College annual athletic sports will be held at Caroline Hill (by kind permission of the South China Athletic Association) on Friday, February 29, between 1 p.m. and 5 p.m.

Mrs Yeung Wing-hong, wife of the Vice-President of the Queen's College Old Boys' Association will distribute the prizes.

RUGBY LEAGUE INTERNATIONAL

Manchester, Feb. 7.

England and France drew at three points all in their Rugby League amateur international here tonight. France led 3-0 at half-time.—Reuter.

Entries For Fourth Race Meeting

The following are the entries for the Fourth Race Meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club to be held at Happy Valley on Saturday, February 16.

1.—Smugglers Pass H'cap. (1st Sec.) Class 2, Six Furlongs.—Adorable Atalanta, Arabian Dagger, Barbarian, Blue Sky, Crackerjack, Fort Knox, Forward View, Harvest Field, The Chief, Top Secret, Wodonga.

2.—Shatin Pass Handicap (1st Sec.) Class 5, One Mile.—Brivisto, Digempots, Eleanor, Kentucky Moon, Pegasus, Queen Helen, Ringway, Roslyn, Stratocruiser, Uncle Willie, V.I.P.

3.—Customs Pass Handicap Class 1A, 1¼ Miles.—Anna, Bambi, Bashful Beauty, Ben Wyvis, Chesterfield, Clonfeckle, Duchess Delight, Firefly, Golden Dahlia, Gold Medal, High Speed, Kentucky Lady, L'arc Triomphe, Panda, Skymaster, Squadron Leader.

4.—Smugglers Pass H'cap. (2nd Sec.) Class 2, Six Furlongs.—Ann Hing, Apple Pie, Atman, Atomic Power, Big Shot, Cooper, Hurricane, Jeep Lee, Lawrence, My Love, Seafire.

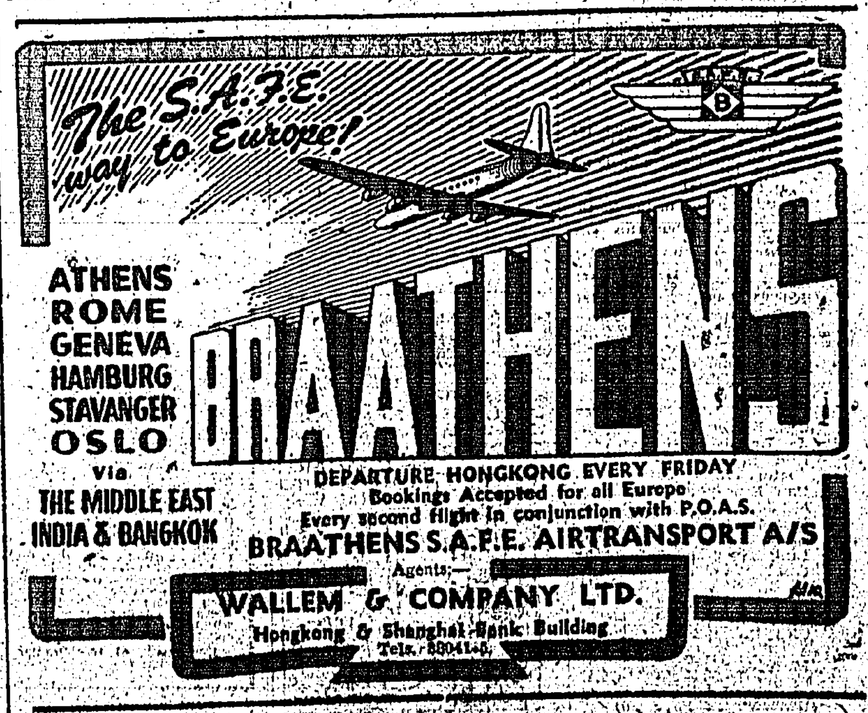
5.—Pearce Memorial Cup Class 1B, 1¼ Miles.—Amarant, Amazon, Ben More, Bootsie, Cinderella, Dominion Day, Emerald, Empress Delight, Fire-glo, Hellzapoppin, Highlight, Jeep Hee, Kentucky Lad, Lovely Lady, Lucky Starter, Pay Day, Prestwood, Straight Flush, Vagabond King, World Peace.

6.—Shatin Pass Handicap (2nd Sec.) Class 5, One Mile.—Concord, Conqueror, Easy-going, Fleetmaster, Fortune Wheel, Lady Gloucester, Madame Butterfly, Sunkiss, Teddington, Thunderjet, Xerxes.

7.—Pineapple Pass Handicap (1st Sec.) Class 4, From 2 Mile Post.—Airs and Graces, Daisy Bell, Glamour Butterfly, Honey Dew, Jasmin, Lucky Strike, Masterpiece, Minx, Shun Lee, Top Hat, Wonderful Coin.

8.—Shatin Pass Handicap (3rd Sec.) Class 5, One Mile.—Black Rose, Chinese Mackerel, Crusher-house, Dawn, Debutante, Honey Dew, Krazy Kat, Sang Aroui, Shamrokh, Thunderbolt, Topper.

9.—Pineapple Pass H'cap. (2nd Sec.) Class 4, From 2 Mile Post.—Avoca, Blue Bird, Empress of Peace, Lorna Lake, Success, Lass, Rowenglen, Speed Bird, The Hopeful, Tonyber, United Victory.



NEWCASTLE v. CHARLTON

Simpson, the Newcastle goalkeeper, jumps to save a shot from Evans, the Charlton inside-right. No. 4 is Harvey, the Newcastle right-half. Newcastle won 6-0 at St Jame's Park.

Very Much On The Record

THE BEST THAT HONGKONG HAS ACHIEVED IN THE FIELD OF ATHLETICS

By "RECORDER"

When the Hongkong Amateur Track and Field Association prudently decided to accept as Colony records only the best performances achieved at athletic meetings run under its jurisdiction it rid itself at one fell swoop of one of the most difficult and controversial tasks ever attempted.

The accepted Colony records date back to 1950 and there is some weight of opinion that they should date no further back than 1951. When the HKATFA was preparing for the first postwar Colony Championships it sent out a request for information on outstanding performances in the past.

There was a slight response. As far as I understand it, there was a further embittered response when the information sent in was not duly recorded in the first list of Colony records issued by the new HKATFA.

Having attended every athletic meet of any importance in Hongkong since 1938 and a good number of the same between 1933 and 1938, this "Recorder" is in a position to remember many outstanding performances made in those years.

A long search through the files, however, brought the rather startling fact up that the memory can play tricks on one and meetings I was certain were held in 1941 turned up in the files in 1938.

The figures were not wrong or not far out. However, Walter Land's best discus throw of 133 feet has to be reduced on the record to 126 feet until such time as an account of the athletic meeting is found at which he threw out to 133 feet.

There is one athletic meeting that was held some time between 1938 and 1941 that stands out as vividly in the memory as if it had been run off yesterday. It was a two-day if not a three-day meeting at Caroline Hill and it took place over a period of days that included a public holiday and a week-end.

That was the meeting at which Walter Land threw the discus 133 feet, Yu Kai-yan long jumped 23 feet and there were some other good performances, including two or three shot-putters doing over 40 feet.

It apparently did not take place at Christmas, over Easter, the Chinese New Year holidays or the Double Tenth or anywhere between March and June. It did take place, however, and any information on the exact date from anyone would be very welcome.

The local press in the late 1930s was dependable enough to give a fair account of what happened at athletic meetings. The same cannot be said for the local press in the early 1930s or at any time before that.

EGG AND SPOON

There are accounts of old Central British School meetings and some University meetings which have half a column devoted to listing the names of the officials who participated—and as I remember those days, most of them completely superfluous—and then dismiss what took place with the names of the prize-winners in the Egg and Spoon Race (midget, junior and senior section) and the 100 Yards (midget, junior and senior), Old Boys' Race, Staff Race and Servants' Race.

One prize-winning account of a University Sports meeting started with this informative and very, very humorous paragraph.

"There was a humorous incident at yesterday's University Sports Meeting at Pokfulam when the judges in the pole vault called the name of C. P. Lee and he was nowhere to be found. He had just arrived and he won the event at 9 feet 10½ inches."

The same account ran parallel with another one having to do with a Victoria Recreation Club meeting at Happy Valley. Both took place on a Saturday, being reported in a Monday paper, and the accounts were complete enough to mention the fact that both meetings took place in the afternoon.

One participant in the University meet, S. O. Shahabuddin by name, won two events at Pokfulam and two at Happy Valley the same afternoon. Though there is no mention in the account of either sports meet that Shahabuddin had also participated in the other, I have since been informed by one of the Colony's old-timers that he made two trips on a motorcycle from one ground to the other in the course of that afternoon.

The amazing thing about accounts of sports meetings in the local press between 1920 and 1935 is the emphasis on egg and spoon, potato and obstacle races. Apparently there were other events as well, but they were not on the same pedestal.

RIGHT ON THE MAP

The 1923 account of the VRC meeting, which, I understand from such as were around in those days, was in the nature of a Colony Championship, opens with the statement that the GOC congratulated W. G. Gerrard on his amazing shot put of 45 feet.

In 1923 the British and Empire record in the Shot Put was barely over 45 feet. What remains unknown is whether it was a 16-pound, a 12-pound or an eight-pound shot that Gerrard put. It was customary in those days also to have a 14-pound shot (one stone), which was in fairly general use in Army, particularly Indian Army sports meetings.

While not informing the generations to come of how heavy the shot was that Gerrard put, the account of that VRC sports meeting contained a fairly long series of special races for Naiks, Lance-Naiks and Sepoys, with the information in brackets after each race:—(entries only accepted in full uniform.)

Looking nearer to our own time over the files, the mood seems to have changed as the years passed. They started throwing in skipping races (apparently for girls only) and bicycle races. There was also less information on actual performance and more on what somebody, now long forgotten, had to say about sportsmanship.

One account of a sports meeting at the French Convent School in the early 1930s had several paragraphs devoted to some Old Girl who, after winning the Old Girls' Race, asked that it be run again with the other participants given a start of several yards (exact distance not mentioned).

The race was run over again, the same Old Girl again winning and the next day some sports commentator of the day ran some more lavish paragraphs about the sportsmanship that the winning Old Girl had been guilty of.

He also proferred an explanation of what the sportsmanship was all about. Apparently the Old Girl who was sporting and who won again was not wearing a Chinese long gown while all the others who ran were.

UNINFORMATIVE

There are references here and there through the years of records being broken, some reporters going so far as to name the actual events in which these records were broken.

However, they failed to inform their readers either of what the old record was or the new one.

I have been fairly deluged since first making an attempt to look 40 years back with accounts of outstanding performances in that period. I have also started checking them up and have failed to find confirmation for more than half of the figures submitted.

However, it would be incorrect to suggest that the information was submitted in an attempt to enter on the record performances accomplished in the course of a nightmare.

Prize-winning stories have been written about boys who dreamed their dreams of winning the high jump or the Marathon at the Olympic Games. More probably, the memory errs, perhaps on the date (even year) rather than the figure. It is surprising how far out one can be on the exact year.

One habit of old with sports reporters was to omit any mention of what happened in the field events. Obstacle and skipping races were considered more important.

Going further back to the 1880s, an account of an Inter-School Meet (Yes, they had these as far back as that, long before many a local school of today came into existence!), gives a long list of prizes and donors of the same.

GREAT SHAKES

All boys in those days seemed destined to be great shakes in time as the first prize was normally a cruet stand and the runners-up received either a silver pepper pot, a pepper shaker or an "assortment of spicy Indian condiments."

They were English boys too and they ran their quarter-mile in an amazing 55 seconds, their half-mile in just over 2 minutes 10 seconds and their mile in just over five minutes, all quite near the best the professional runners did in that era but too many days' sailing by the fastest clipper for anyone of the same boys to shine on their native shores.

Seeing that some boy ran 440 yards in 55 seconds in 1881, it is amazing to think how excited everyone got (a scene I witnessed) in 1934 when Fung Sing-chee lowered the official Inter-School record for 400 Metres from 56.2 seconds to 55 seconds dead.

Boys were more excitable in 1934. Last year, when Lo Wing-chuen turned in a 54-second effort, it was hardly noticed by the average small boy about. Then, again, attention was being distracted by the Junior Boys' Championship and the small boys, presumably, did not look for their heroes among the Seniors.

In contrast, in the decade before the war I remember the excitement that would be occasioned by the appearance of Alice Wood, a multiple University record-holder, at any meeting.

An account of the 1931 meeting between Hongkong University and Lingnan University at Caroline Hill records two record-breaking performances by Alice—100 Metres in 15.4 seconds and a long jump of 12 feet 8¼ inches.

Such 12-year-old stalwarts of Hongkong amateur athletics of today as Deborah Hurlbatt and Jennifer Hart would be too bored to compete against that, let alone a 14-year-old like Julia Tingay, who could probably do 14.4 and a 13:6 in tennis shoes.

Appended is a list of the Colony's best ever performances. It is a near-complete list, though not a complete one. Any information that will help toward completing this list, such as what season of the year the performance was accomplished and over which holidays, on a Saturday or on a week-day, would be appreciated and every attempt made to check up on it.

BEST ATHLETIC PERFORMANCES IN HONGKONG

The following is a list of some of the best performances in Hongkong athletics. The list is not complete and any information on performances not listed will be welcomed.

100 YARDS

Cpl. Andrews (Army)	1910	10.0
Lee Hah-liong (University)	1931	10.0
W. S. Cegg (University)	1941	10.0
Q. Almao (KGVS)	1951	10.1
C. d'Almada e Castro (Recreio)	1928	10.2
Bertie Gosano (Recreio)	1929	10.2
Shepard (A & SH)	1931	10.2
S. A. Rumjahn. (IRC)	1933	10.2
T. Hamet (IRC)	1933	10.2
Willie Reed (Recreio)	1935	10.2
Capt. Miller (RE)	1951	10.2

100 METRES

W. S. Cegg (University)	1941	10.8
Stephen Xavier (LSC)	1952	10.9
Jackson Lee (LSC)	1951	11.0
Cheung Yat-hung (SCAA)	1952	11.0
S. Hollands (University)	1949	11.2
Lt. Coverman (Army)	1950	11.2
Peter McRae (KGVS)	1951	11.2
Wong Man-wan (SCAA)	1951	11.2

200 METRES

Cpl. Andrews (Army)	1910	*21.9
Ramsay Omar (SJC)	1920	*22.5
Stephen Xavier (LSC)	1952	22.5
Jackson Lee (LSC)	1951	22.7
Sgt. Hamzah (RAF)	1952	22.8
Ng Yuen-fok (SCAA)	1950	22.9
Bobby Roach (RAF)	1951	22.9
LAC A. A. Alapini (RAF)	1951	22.9
Peter McRae (KGVS)	1950	23.0
Shek Ka-lim (SCAA)	1952	23.0

*Less 0.1 second for 220 yards.

400 METRES

Ng Yuen-fok (SCAA)	1949	52.4
T. E. Williams (Army)	1951	*52.9
C. d'Almada e Castro (Recreio)	1930	*53.3
Eric Clegg (EYMCA)	1941	53.5
E. Wong Tape (University)	1928	*53.9
Lo Wing-chuen (LSC)	1951	54.0
H. Andison (Army)	1951	54.0
J. Clarke (Army)	1951	54.0
Norman Lo (University)	1950	*54.2
G. A. Hyder	1923	*54.5
C. Hosegood (CBS)	1938	54.5

*Less 0.3 second for 440 yards.

800 METRES

H. Andison (Army)	1951	*2:01.3
D. S. Blake (University)	1934	*2:06.7
M. McCord (Milocarians)	1952	2:07.5
A. Butterworth (Army)	1951	2:07.8
L/Cpl. Heather (Middlesex)	1941	*2:08.8
Leung Kam-po (SCAA)	1952	2:08.8
E. Smith (Army)	1923	*2:09.0
Lo Wing-chuen (LSC)	1951	2:09.5
B. Mawson (Army)	1951	2:10.0
C. M. Crocker (Army)	1951	2:10.0
W. Lawrence (Army)	1951	2:10.0

1,500 METRES

Lau Man-ngor (SCAA)	1950	4:22.8
J. Stevenson (Army)	1951	4:28.0
M. McCord (Milocarians)	1952	4:31.9
Gnr. Kirswell (Army)	1949	4:33.2
J. P. MacMahon (Army)	1952	4:33.3
Capt. N. Phillips (Army)	1950	4:33.8
Reggie Silva (SJC)	1949	4:35.2
W. J. Taylor (Army)	1938	4:35.7
Sgt. Barnes (EYMCA)	1952	4:36.9
Pte. Peter Manson (Army)	1941	4:37.2

ONE MILE

Lt. Berwick (Army)	1951	4:41.3
Sgt. Peter West (Army)	1951	4:44.2
Downer (RASC)	1950	4:49.6

3,000 METRES

Lau Man-ngor (SCAA)	1950	9:14.8
Sgt. Peter West (Army)	1951	9:27.0

THREE MILES

Sgt. Peter West (Army)	1951	15:20.1
L/Nk. Mohamed Shrif (Army)	1941	15:47.6
Downer (RASC)	1950	16:16.2

5,000 METRES

Lau Wan-ngau (SCAA)	1950	15:54.7
S/Sgt. Peter West (Army)	1952	16:05.6
Lau Man-ngor (SCAA)	1950	16:08.4

HIGH HURDLES

Major P. Skipwith (Army)	1950	16.2
Brendan Wilson (EYMCA)	1941	16.3
J. Cave (Milocarians)	1952	16.5
T. W. Chong (University)	1928	16.6
Cheung Yat-hung (SCAA)	1952	16.6
Lee Hah-liong (University)	1931	16.7
T. T. Chin (University)	1941	16.8
Ko Tai-chuen (SCAA)	1951	16.9
A. Colaco (LSC)	1952	17.0
S. O. Shahabuddin (University)	1923	17.2

LOW HURDLES

Ng Chi-ping (Chungshan)	1949	61.0
Lt. McNabb (Army)	1951	61.0
Ho Hit-po (SCAA)	1949	61.9

HIGH JUMP

Cpl. Walter Land (Army)	1940	6: 0
J. Dallywater (Army)	1951	5:10½
Ling Sum (SCAA)	1950	5:10
Victor Lai (University)	1951	5: 9
Pau King-yin (SCAA)	1949	5: 8
K. J. Chun (University)	1935	5: 7¾
Hung Wee-tong (SJC)	1938	5: 7½
L/Nk. Chandarbhan Singh (Army)	1941	5: 7½
Ling Hong-hong (DBS)	1941	5: 7½
Gnr. Fatteh Khan (Army)	1941	5: 7¼

POLE VAULT

Yeo Tit-kwan (SCAA)	1951	11:1½
K. E. Wake (RAF)	1952	10:9
Chu Fook-sing (SCAA)	1941	10:4
Y. S. Lam (University)	1938	10:0½
Marcus Ng (LSC)	1941	10:0½
Leung King-ping (Lingnan)	1931	10:1¼
Lo Kwoen-ye (Lingnan)	1931	10:0¼
A. Bakar (University)	1931	10:0¼
Kundan Singh (Army)	1941	10:0
Fong Chi-hung (Wah Yan)	1941	10:0
Wong Sung-yau (SCAA)	1951	10:0
P. Deadman (Army)	1951	10:0
W. McCurdy (Army)	1951	10:0

LONG JUMP

Yu Kai-yan (SCAA)	1940	23: 0¼
Mak Sui-hung (SCAA)	1938	22: 0½
Ong Cheng-su (DBS)	1934	21:11
T. Moynan (Army)	1950	21:10
Sgt. Jacques (Army)	1949	21: 6½
Lee Zau-tong (University)	1939	21: 4½
Pau King-yin (SCAA)	1949	21: 2
Ng Ming-sum (QC)	1951	21: 1½
Lt. Stewart-Cox (Army)	1951	21: 0½
Fok Yong-wai (SSC)	1949	21: 0

HOP, STEP & JUMP

Szeto Kwong (Lingnan)	1931	44: 1
T. Moynan (Army)	1950	43: 9
Cheung Yat-hung (SCAA)	1952	42:10
Walter Land (Army)	1938	41:10
Chen Fu-sik (SCAA)	1950	41: 3
Lee Zau-tong (University)	1937	41: 2½
Lam Kai-chi (Chungshan)	1949	41: 2½
Ng Chi-ping (Chungshan)	1949	41: 0½
A. K. Ismail (St. Joseph's)	1949	40:11
T. Carpenter (Milocarians)	1952	40:11

SHOT PUT

W. G. Gerrard	1923	45: 6
Walter Land (Army)	1938	40: 2½
A. Napoloff (University)	1936	39:10½
D. H. Taylor (Police)	1941	39:10½
J. F. Greer (Army)	1951	39: 3
H. P. Woodhead (Army)	1951	39: 0¼
Chan Wai-chin (SCAA)	1951	37:10
Ho Yau-cheung (Lingnan)	1949	37: 6¾
Fraser (A & SH)	1931	36:10
Nk. Rajah Khan (Army)	1941	36: 7½

DISCUS THROW

Sgt. Leddington (Army)	1951	128: 8½
Walter Land (Army)	1938	126: 0¼
A. Napoloff (University)	1936	120: 4
Nesbitt (Army)	1951	120: 3
Pawlowski (Army)	1951	117:11
Pte. A. Lever (Army)	1941	116: 9½
Fraser (A & SH)	1931	116: 7½
Major P. Skipwith (Army)	1950	114: 5
R. Bellerand (EYMCA)	1951	110: 9
Charles Huang (University)	1949	108: 0¾

JAVELIN THROW

Major P. Skipwith (Army)	1951	180: 8
Pte. A. Lever (Army)	1941	173:11½
Bdr. Pidgeon (Army)	1941	166: 5
Lt. D. J. McNabb (Army)	1951	165: 8
D. H. Taylor (Police)	1938	165: 1
Chan Wai-chin (SCAA)	1952	162: 4¾
Johnson (Army)	1951	151: 7½
A. T. Lee (University)	1933	150: 7½
Cpl. Chitra Bhagur (Army)	1951	149: 6
LAC Pritchard (RAF)	1951	144: 8

WOMEN'S EVENTS

100 YARDS

Irene Lopes (Recreio)	1935	11.4
Yvonne Yolle (French Convent)	1941	12.4
Maureen Hodkinson (KGVS)	1951	12.6
Pippa Pertamion (CBS)	1949	12.8
Susan Hyslop (KGVS)	1951	12.9
P. Wickerson (KGVS)	1950	13.0
C. Silva (Recreio)	1929	13.2
Gloria d'Almada e Castro (Recreio)	1933	13.2
Mary Suffiad (University)	1940	13.2
Inge Renner (University)	1949	13.2
S. Marsland (KGVS)	1950	13.2

100 METRES

June Hall (DGS)	1941	13.4
Yvonne Yolle (French Convent)	1941	13.6
Wong Yee-man (SCAA)	1952	13.7
Nodie Simmons (Gremlins)	1951	13.8
Hilary Hale (KGVS)	1951	13.8
Julia Tingay (KGVS)	1952	13.8
Lam Kak-lan (SCAA)	1952	13.8
Maureen Hodkinson (KGVS)	1951	13.9
Poon Ching-woon (Pui To)	1951	13.9
Lee Siu-king (Lingnan)	1949	14.0
Pamela Lee (SCAA)	1951	14.0
Susan Hyslop (KGVS)	1951	14.0
Chan Shui-kuen (Pui To)	1951	14.0
Leung Lai-ping (SCAA)	1951	14.0

200 METRES

Mui Shun-ngan (St. Mary's)	1948	28.4
Julia Tingay (KGVS)	1951	29.2
Poon Ching-noon (Pui To)	1951	29.4
Maureen Hodkinson (KGVS)	1951	*29.7
Hilary Hale (KGVS)	1951	29.8
Jennifer Hart (KGVS)	1952	29.9
Fok Wing-sheung (SCAA)	1952	29.9

HIGH JUMP

Julia Tingay (KGVS)	1952	4:5
Yvonne Yolle (French Convent)	1941	4:4
Fiona Anderson (University)	1949	4:3¾
Tsui Shui-may (SCAA)	1952	4:3½
Heather Anderson (CBS)	1948	4:3
M. Braga (University)	1949	4:3
Inge Renner (University)	1949	4:3
Suzanne Whitworth (Army)	1951	4:3
Valerie Jillott (KGVS)	1952	4:2¾
Sheena Kirkwood (KGVS)	1950	4:2½

LONG JUMP

Mui Shun-ngan (St. Mary's)	1949	10:10½
Nicole Simmons (Gremlins)	1951	15: 0½
Pong Sik (Pui To)	1951	14: 0½
Yvonne Yolle (French Convent)	1941	14: 9
Lee Siu-king (Lingnan)	1949	14: 8
Juliet Lin (Pui To)	1951	14: 8
J. Marsland (KGVS)	1950	14: 7
Inge Renner (University)	1950	14: 4
Sheena Kirkwood (KGVS)	1950	14: 4
Chan Yin-shiu (TC)	1951	14: 3¼

WEEK-END SPORT CANCELLED

Most local sporting events arranged for today and the week-end have been cancelled as a mark of respect to His late Majesty King George VI.

The soccer match between the Dutch community and a team from the Van Galen, which was to have been played at the Club ground at Happy Valley this afternoon, has been put off until further notice.

The rugger match between Club "A" and HMAS Sydney arranged for today has also been called off.

The Club versus Army and Royal Navy versus Royal Air Force rugger games scheduled for tomorrow have been postponed until Saturday, February 16.

Cricket, hockey and softball league fixtures for the week-end have also been postponed.

The semi-final soccer matches in the Senior and Junior Challenge Shield Competitions as well as all League games and the second game in the Governor's Cup Competition fixed for Saturday and Sunday have been postponed by the Hongkong Football Association until further notice.

All schoolboy football matches scheduled for Sunday have been cancelled.

Army unit and inter-unit sports fixtures will continue to be played off; although representative matches in which Army players are to participate have been called off.

The Royal Navy, however have suspended all sports activities pro tem.

World Records Ratified

London, Feb. 7.

The following performances by athletes from all over the world have been officially accepted as world records for track and field events by the International Amateur Athletic Federation:

Ten Miles.—48 minutes and 12 seconds by E. Zatopek of Czechoslavkia.

Four by half a mile relay.—Seven minutes and 30.6 seconds by Great Britain.

Hundred Metres.—10.2 seconds by E. MacDonald Bailey of Britain—equals record.

15,000 Metres.—44 minutes and 54.6 seconds by E. Zatopek of Czechoslovakia.

20,000 Metres.—61 minutes and 15.9 seconds by E. Zatopek. Zatopek later improved the record to 59 minutes and 51.7 seconds.

One Hour Dash.—19,558 metres by Zatopek. He later improved the record to 20,052 metres.

30,000 Metres.—one hour, 38 minutes and 54 seconds by J. Maskatchenkov (Soviet Union).

Five Miles Walking.—35 minutes and 24 seconds by R. Hardy (Britain).

30 Miles Walking.—Four hours and 21 minutes 38.2 seconds, by J. Ljunggren (Sweden).

Hop, Step and Jump.—16 metres and 01 centimetres (52 feet, 6¼ inches) by R. F. da Silva of Brazil.—Reuter.

Badminton League

Craigengower beat the Chinese Y.M.C.A. 6-3 in a Men's "C" Division league badminton match last night. Scores:

P. Y. Yap and C. C. Wang (CCC) beat S. P. Ng and Wong Yan 21-21, beat M. Wong and C. K. Wong 21-9, beat K. H. Ip and K. Y. Wai 21-8.

H. Lo and B. P. Dhabher (CCC) lost to Ng and Wong 17-21, beat Wong and Wong 21-7, beat Ip and Wai 24-22.

Z. A. Abbas and Sosie Faller (CCC) lost to Ng and Wong 11-21, beat Wong and Wong 21-11, lost to Ip and Wai 15-21.

Miss Altwegg Retains European Championship

Vienna, Feb. 6.

Jeanette Altwegg, of Britain, holder of the world and European figure skating titles, retained her European championship here tonight from Jacqueline du Bief (France) and another British competitor, Barbara Wyatt.

Officials placings of the leaders were: 1. Jeanette Altwegg (Britain), 175.63 points. 2. Jacqueline du Bief (France), 174.75 points. 3. Barbara Wyatt (Britain), 165.98 points. 4. Erika Kraft (Germany), 161.73 points. 5. Valda Osborn (Britain), 163.05 (correct). 6. Dagmar Lerchova (Czechoslovakia), 159.13 points. 7. Gundi Busch (Germany), 157.07.

Miss Altwegg retained her title by the lead she had gained in the compulsory figures. In the free skating tonight she was outshone by the dazzling Jacqueline du Bief, who was also runner-up to her in last year's world and European championships.

The decision of the judges was not to the liking of part of the crowd, who whistled as they announced the verdict for Miss Altwegg.—Reuter.

Wally Thom Beats Giel de Roode

Liverpool, Feb. 7.

Wally Thom, the British and British Empire Welterweight Boxing Champion, beat Giel de Roode, of Holland, on points over 10 rounds here tonight.—Reuter.

TROPHY FOR LADIES' HOCKEY TOURNAMENT

It was announced at a meeting of the Hongkong Hockey Association (Ladies Section) held in the Board Room of Messrs Shewan Tomes yesterday that Mrs E. Faber has offered a trophy for a seven-a-side knockout tournament.

The tournament to take place sometime in April will be open to members of the Ladies League. To be known as the "Peglyn Faber Cup," the trophy is in memory of "Peglyn" Faber, captain of the Victorians, who died recently.

Lengthy discussion took place regarding a Ladies International Competition between England, Scotland, Portugal and a Continental team. However, this was not definitely decided on at the meeting.

Mrs H. Fowler, Acting Chairman, presided.

ROBERTS TURNS PROFESSIONAL

London, Feb. 7.

A. G. (Paddy) Roberts, 22-year old British Davis Cup tennis player, has turned professional.

Paddy's father, A. M. C. Roberts, himself a tennis professional, said that "Contrary to popular belief there is no money to be made in amateur tennis and Paddy had to give up his amateur status and turn professional, or give up tennis altogether and take some other full time job."—Associated Press.

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"POYANG"	Keelung	Noon 13th Feb.*
"SINKIANG"	Singapore, Penang & Belawan	5 p.m. 16th Feb.
"YOCHOW"	Yokohama, Nagoya Osaka & Kobe	5 p.m. 18th Feb.
"POYANG"	Djakarta & Sourabaya	10 a.m. 22nd Feb.
"FUNING"	Bangkok	10 a.m. 24th Feb.

* Sails from Custodian Wharf

ARRIVALS FROM

"SOOCHOW"	Kobe	9th Feb.
"HUPEH"	Tientsin	9th Feb.
"FUKIEN"	Singapore	11th Feb.
"POYANG"	Keelung	a.m. 11/12th Feb.
"PAKHOI"	Singapore	13/14th Feb.
"SHANSI"	Osaka	14th Feb.
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"TAIPING"	Japan	5th Mar.
"TAIYUAN"	Sydney	11th Mar.

ARRIVALS FROM

"TAIYUAN"	Australia & Manila	In Port
"CHANGSHA"	Australia	In Port
"CHANGTE"	Kobe	10th Feb.
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"TAIYUAN"	Moji	8th Mar.

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	Sails Liverpool	Sails Rotterdam	Arrives Hong Kong
S. "ANTILOCHUS"	Sailed	—	16th Feb.
G. "PELEUS"	do	Sailed	17th Feb.
S. "AUTOLYCUS"	do	—	25th Feb.
G. "ANCHISES"	do	—	1st Mar.
S. "CLYTONEUS"	5th Feb.	—	11th Mar.
G. "PATROCLUS"	12th Feb.	16th Feb.	17th Mar.
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"BENVENUE"	Japan	" 25th Feb.
"BENATTOW"	U.K. via Singapore	" 18th Mar.
"BENLEDI"	U.K. via Singapore	" 30th Mar.
"BENCRUACHAN"	Japan	" 20th Apr.

	SAILINGS	Loading on or abt.
"BENAVON"	Kure, Yokohama & Kobe.	24th Feb.
"BENVENUE"	Direct to Singapore, thence Liverpool, Glasgow, Dublin & Hull.	25th Feb.
S."BENATTOW"	Avonmouth, London & Hamburg.	23rd Mar.
"BENAVON"	Direct to Singapore, thence Liverpool, Glasgow, Dublin & Hull.	1st Apr.
"BENLEDI"	Kure, Yokohama & Kobe.	4th Apr.
"BENCRUACHAN"	Direct to Singapore, thence London & Hull.	20th Apr.
"BENLEDI"	Direct to Singapore, thence Liverpool, Dublin & Hamburg.	1st May

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NOTICE

THE HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION

Ordinary Yearly General Meeting

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Corporation will be held at the Head Office of the Corporation, 1 Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong, on Friday the 7th day of March, 1952, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving and considering the reports of the Directors and of the Auditors and the Profit and Loss Account and Balance Sheet for the year ended 31st December, 1951, and for the election of Directors and the appointment of Auditors.

The Register of Shares of the Corporation will be closed from Friday, the 22nd of February to Friday, the 7th of March, 1952, (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board
A. MORSE,
Chief Manager.

22nd January, 1952.

ANNOUNCEMENT

St. John Ambulance Association and Brigade regret to announce that owing to the death of His Majesty King George VI the Ball has been postponed to a date to be announced later.

NOTICE

THE BANK OF EAST ASIA, LIMITED.

Notice is hereby given that the Thirty-third Ordinary Yearly Meeting of this Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, No. 10, Des Voeux Road Central, on Saturday, 9th February 1952 at 2.30 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December 1951 and elect Directors and appoint Auditors.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be closed from Saturday 2nd February to Saturday 9th February 1952 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

KAN TONG PO
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 21st Jan., 1952.

NOTICE

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Special Cash Sweep on the Pearce Memorial Cup Saturday, 16th Feb., 1952

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H. MISA,
Secretary.

NOTICE

ROYAL HONG KONG GOLF CLUB

COCKTAIL PARTY AND PRIZE PRESENTATION — DEEP WATER BAY

Owing to the death of His Majesty the King, the Cocktail Party and Prize Presentation which was to have been held at Deep Water Bay Club-House this evening, has been postponed until further notice.

The Introduction of Candidates for Membership arranged for this evening at Deep Water Bay Clubhouse has also been postponed.

Proposers and Seconders of Candidates for Membership will be notified in due course of the date on which the Introduction Meeting will be held.

By Order of the Committee,
W. J. KERR,
Secretary.

NOTICE

WARRANT OFFICERS & SERGEANTS MESS COMMAND WORKSHOP REME HONGKONG

The Social and Dance arranged for Saturday, February 9th, 1952, has been cancelled.

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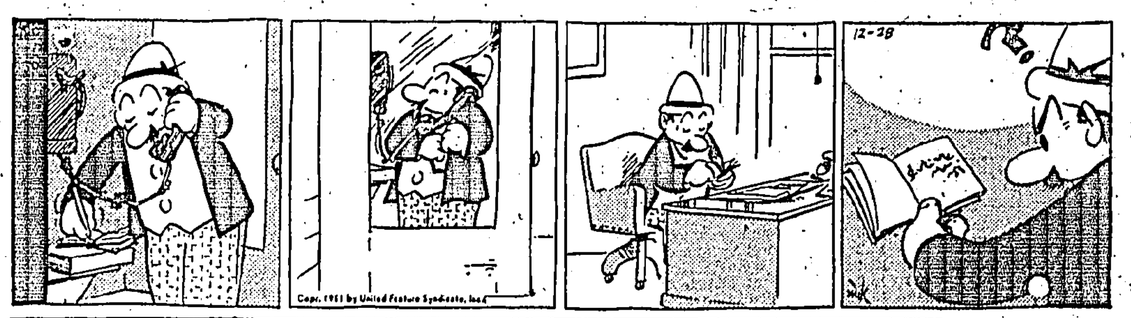

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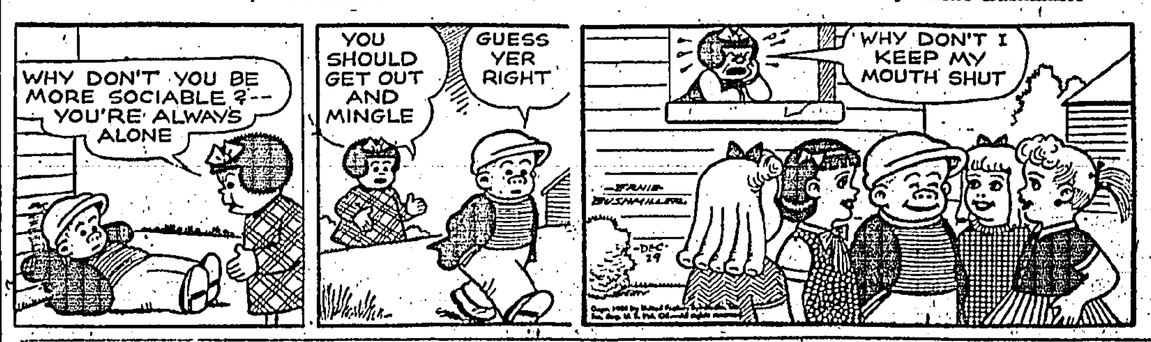

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"CHUSAN"	22nd January	19th February
"CORFU"	7th February	10th March
"CANTON"	6th March	7th April

via Southampton, Port Said, Aden, Bombay, Colombo, Penang & Singapore.

Homewards	Leaves Hongkong	Due London
"CARTHAGE"	15th February	17th March
"CHUSAN"	23rd February	22nd March
"CORFU"	14th March	14th April
"CANTON"	11th April	12th May

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Outwards	Due Hongkong	From
"SHILLONG"	10th February	London & Continent
"SOCOTRA"	17th February	— „ —

Homewards	Leaves Hongkong	For
"SOUDAN"	15th February	London & Continent

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"WARLA"	due 22th Feb. sails 25th Feb.	from Japan for Chittagong via Singapore

(These vessels have refrigerated cargo space)

P. & O./B. I. JOINT SERVICE

"URLANA"	due 13th Feb.	from Karachi, Bombay, Colombo & Singapore
	sails 14th Feb.	for Japan
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"NELLORE"	sails 28th Feb.	for Port Moresby, Sydney & Melbourne

All vessels have liberty to call at any ports on or off the route & the route & sailing are subject to change or amendment with or without notice.

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Beer-Proof Pianos Go Out To Korea

London, Feb. 7.

Beer-proof, kick-proof, and burn-proof pianos are now being used to entertain the British troops in Korea.

At last as the NAAFI pianos in British Army camps everywhere finally wear out after years of rough treatment, they are being replaced by a new model, now being made in large quantities by two London firms.

When a soldier decides to rest his glass of beer on the top of the piano, he finds he cannot, because the top slopes like a roof.

The keyboard slopes slightly, too, and the keyboard ends are made of copper so that cigarettes can be parked there harmlessly. The keys themselves are cigarette-proof. Made of a special plastic, they do not burn and nicotine stains can be wiped off.

The pedals have brass kicking plates in front of them. (Some Army virtuosi beat time on the panelling with their boots.)

The new pianos are of solid oak. The works can be inspected without tearing the frame to pieces. And first reports show that they are being treated with far greater respect than the older and more vulnerable instruments.

"Bumping over the rough roads in Korea, the new pianos have to be able to take it," said a NAAFI official. "They are standing up to field conditions very well."—*London Express Service.*

A £31,000 Caller

New York, Feb. 7.

Sixty-eight-year-old Mrs Scott Scammell, of New York, reported to police that a Negro bandit entered her Fifth-avenue apartment, threatened her with a knife and fled with jewellery which she valued at £31,000.

ROYAL INTEROCEAN LINES

SAILINGS		To
"TJITJALENGKA"	Feb. 9th	Singapore, Mauritius, Dar-es-Salam, Zanzibar, S. Africa & S. America
"TASMAN"	Feb. 11th	Japan Ports
"TJIBODAS"	Feb. 13th	Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaia & Macassar
"TJILUWAH"	Feb. 15th	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaia & Macassar
"TJISADANE"	Feb. 16th	Japan
"TASMAN"	Feb. 29th	Singapore, Penang & Belawan Deli
"BOISSEVAIN"	Mar. 1st	Japan
"TJIWANGI"	Mar. 2nd	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaia & Macassar
"TJIPANAS"	Mar. 6th	Manila, Singapore & S. Africa
"TJIPONDOK"	Mar. 7th	Djakarta, Tjirebon, Semarang, Surabaia & Macassar
"TJISADANE"	Mar. 8th	Singapore, Mauritius, S. Africa & S. America
"TJILUWAH"	Mar. 16th	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaia & Macassar
"BOISSEVAIN"	Mar. 21st	Manila, Singapore, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa & S. America
"TJIKAMPEK"	Mar. 25th	Djakarta, Tjirebon, Semarang, Surabaia & Macassar
"TJIWANGI"	Apr. 2nd	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaia & Macassar
"VAN HEUTSZ"	Apr. 7th	Singapore, Penang & Belawan Deli
"TJILUWAH"	Apr. 16th	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaia & Macassar
"TJIBODAS"	Apr. 17th	Djakarta, Tjirebon, Semarang, Surabaia & Macassar
"TASMAN"	Apr. 23th	Singapore, Penang & Belawan Deli
"TJIWANGI"	May 2nd	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaia & Macassar
"STRAAT MAKASSAR"	May. 4th	Manila, Singapore, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa & S. America
"TJILUWAH"	May 16th	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaia & Macassar

ARRIVALS		From
"TASMAN"	Feb. 10th	Penang, Belawan Deli & Singapore
"TJILUWAH"	Feb. 10th	Macassar, Surabaia, Semarang, Djakarta & Singapore
"TJISADANE"	Feb. 12th	S. America, E. & S. Africa Singapore & Manila
"VAN HEUTSZ"	Feb. 27th	Penang, Belawan Deli & Singapore
"STRAAT SOENDA"	Feb. 28th	S. America, S. Africa, Singapore & Manila

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SAILINGS TO EUROPE

"HOOGKERK"	Mar. 7th
"ARENDSKERK"	Apr. 7th
"KIELDRECHT"	May 7th
"AAGTEKERK"	June 7th

SAILINGS FROM EUROPE	Sails Rotterdam	Arrives Hongkong
"HOOGKERK"	Sailed Jan. 3rd	Feb. 10th
"ARENDSKERK"	Sailed Jan. 31st	Mar. 6th
"KIELDRECHT"	Mar. 5th	Apr. 10th
"AAGTEKERK"	Apr. 2nd	May 8th
"OVERIJSEL"	May 2nd	June 7th

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RUSSIANS' APPROACH TO JAPAN

Offer By Trade Commissioner

(From Ralph Walling)

Tokyo.

A new Russian bid to woo Japan, this time with an offer to relieve her of her surplus Sterling, has been made by Soviet Trade Commissioner Dominitsky. The Soviet would sell for Pounds at a cheap price, much needed coal from Sakhalin, he said.

And M. Dominitsky made this throw for Russo-Japanese amity: "We must try to know each other better."

He was speaking at a restaurant lunch attended by 20 leading businessmen, including representatives of Japan's biggest steelworks with whom Britain has now arranged a deal.

He was prepared, he added, to encourage barter trade for rolling stock and vessels which Russia needed.

A spokesman of the Soviet mission also spoke up. Russia, he stated later, was out to offer every help to their guests at the Moscow economic conference in April. Especially, it seemed, to the Japanese.

For the Soviet was prepared, he said, to send a ship to pick up nine political and business leaders who had been invited.

CAUTIOUS ATTITUDE

However, tempting as these baits are to Japan, anxious about her £75,000,000 Sterling balances, her Government has shown no rush to swallow them. It has expressed the wish to export more to the Sterling Area and issued several broad hints that applications for visas to attend the Moscow conference will not be looked on with favour. Premier Yoshida has told the Diet that until the removal of "unpleasant things" like the Sino-Soviet treaty alliance, the Russian occupation of islands north of Hokkaido, and the return of Japanese prisoners of war, he could not endorse friendly relations with the Soviet.

The new Russian overtures coincided with the opening of talks in Tokyo concerning joint United States-Japanese security arrangement to come into force when Mr Yoshida's country becomes a sovereign State again, and reports that Japan's munitions factories are in business again with big orders for anti-personnel bombs and enquiries for tank parts, even tanks.—London Express Service.

WHAT RUSSIA WANTS

Tokyo, Feb. 7.

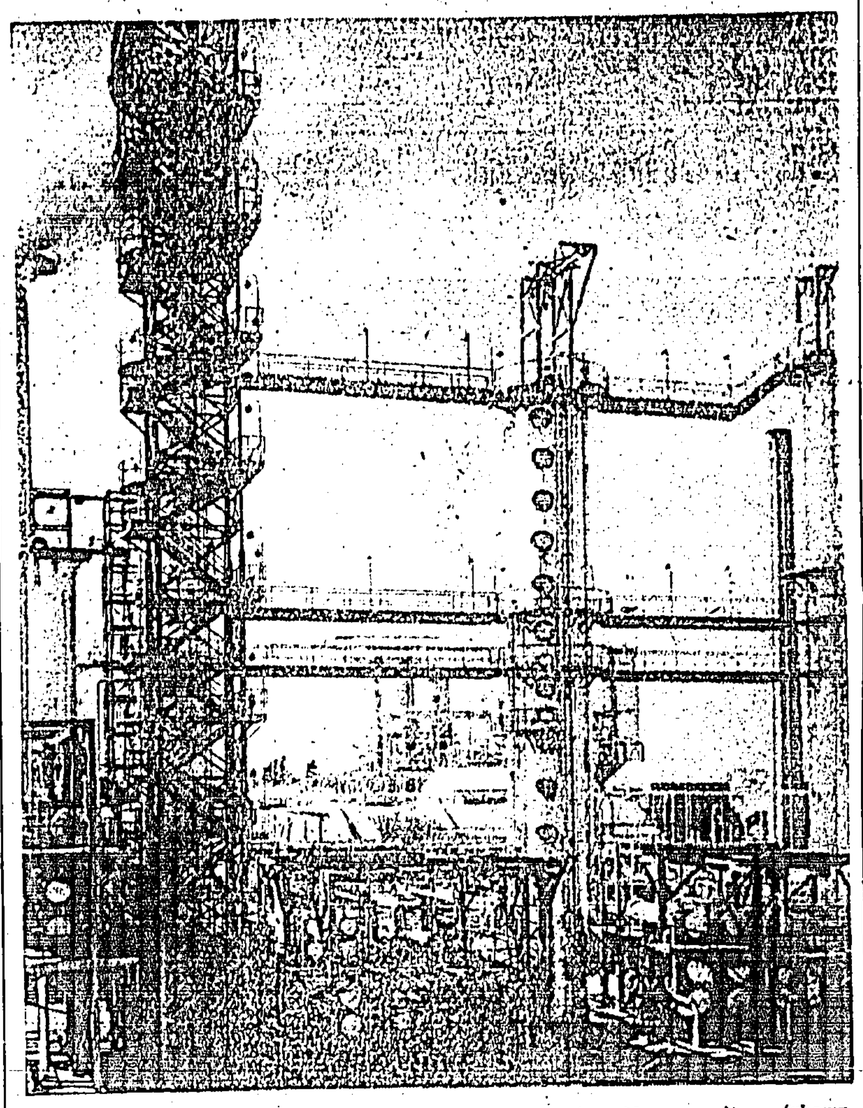
An official of the Russian Mission in Tokyo today said the Soviet Union wants silk, ships, and fishing boats from Japan in exchange for Sakhalin coal.

Andrei Ivanovich Dominitsky, deputy economic adviser to the Mission, told Kyodo News Agency that the final decision on the price of coal has not yet been settled in negotiations with Japanese businessmen. The Russians previously offered $10 a ton for Sakhalin coal and said they were willing to take Pounds Sterling in payment. Japan at present has an excess of British currency.

The official, however, said the Mission was still studying the Sterling payment question.

He also listed goods the Soviets desired from Japan. They included silk thread, raw silk, rayon, tanned leather, wooden fishing boats, semi-steel fishing boats, tuna fishing boats, 1,000-ton oil tankers, tug boats, floating cranes (25 to 100 tons) and ship repairing.—Associated Press.

EXTENSIONS TO SHELL REFINERY



New units (shown above) at the refinery operated by the Cie de Raffinage Shell Berre, at Berre, near Marseilles, were officially inaugurated recently. A distillation unit for a topping process and a reforming plant are the principal new features, and the capacity of the plant, already doubled since 1950, will soon be increased to three times that level. — Shell Photograph.

THE EMERGENCY MEASURES WERE NECESSARY

—Says George Schwartz

London.

Isn't it sickening that seven years after the end of the war we still have to endure the measures set out by the Chancellor?

You can't have this and you can't have that. You can't go there; you'll have to stay here..... I forget the number of times we've had that story.

It may be that it is necessary again, but I hope it's the last performance of its kind. I'm pretty certain that the Chancellor hopes so, too.

This is how the State runs the national household. It gets the household into a financial mess and then starts slashing around wildly.

The old heavy-handed Victorian husband and father has gone. Wives are more independent, the children are more independent, the fresh air of freedom has blown through the home.

NAGGING STATE

Well, as far as I can judge, what we have really got in exchange is the nagging, bullying State beloved of the Socialist planners. If Father said you had to be in by 10 o'clock or you'd get a good hiding, you'd run away from home.

If he poked his nose into the larder and issued a peremptory order that no more shrimp paste was to be used, only blatter paste, his wife would order him out of the kitchen.

But when the State does this, you twentieth-century champions of a new world take it like lambs. "I suppose they know best."

DISLIKE IT

I will not conceal from you that I dislike and mistrust this way of running the economic system, i.e., the national household. Never mind my dislike, but my mistrust arises from the fact that it keeps on breaking down. Well, how would I run the household?

First of all, if it got into a financial mess I should blame myself. I should realise that I had been living on overdrafts from the bank and that these were increasing. This would have to stop.

How would I pass this on to the household?

I would do it straightforwardly by cutting down the household allowances and leaving it at that. I would use the monetary weapon.

I wouldn't lecture my wife by telling her to stop gadding about with Mrs Jones, and to stay at home instead of going to the pictures. I wouldn't give her instructions where to shop and what vegetables to buy.

Suppose I had a son at college to whom I was making an allowance of £40 a term. I could summon him and forbid him to go about with red-headed girls. "They're too extravagant for you, my boy."

USE SENSE

I could tell him to put his motor-bike in the shed and leave it there. I could forbid him to go abroad for the winter sports and instruct him to sell his skis to an American student. I could go on lecturing him all night.

I should do nothing of the sort. I should say, "I'm sorry, my boy, you'll have to manage on £35 a term. You've got enough sense to make your own economies."

That's what I call a civilised way of doing things.

Mr Butler, I am sure, would prefer to go about it in that way, but the situation was so critical that he had to take emergency measures. On Budget Day, March 4, he will start on the real cure.

PI Minerals Output

Manila, Feb. 7.

The Director of Mines, Demetrio Andres, announced a big increase in production in Philippine mines in 1951. Total production of minerals reached 116,680,431 pesos, which is 43 per cent more than the 1950 figure.

Gold producers accounted for 393,602 ounces of gold worth 44,083,424 pesos, and 274,602 ounces of silver worth 435,642 pesos. The Philippines now ranks tenth among the gold producers of the world, with Africa heading the list. The Philippines also is a ranking world supplier of chromite, manganese and copper. — France-Presse.

FOREIGN EXCHANGES IN NY

New York, Feb. 7.

Canada	US$0.99-31/32
England—official	2.78¼
" unofficial	2.80 bid/ 2.83 asked
" 30-day futures	2.77¾
" 90-day futures	2.76¾
Australia	2.22½
New Zealand	—
South Africa	2.78¾
Belgium	.01981/16
Denmark	.1456
France	.0028-9/16
West Germany	4.20
Holland	.2630
Italy	—
Norway	.1405
Portugal	.0370
Spain	.0265
Sweden	.0935
Switzerland	.2289
MIDDLE EAST	
Egypt	2.68½
Iran	.03125
Iraq	2.81
Turkey	.3375
LATIN AMERICA	
Argentina	.0705
Brazil	.0600
Bolivia	—
Chile	.0168
Columbia	.4025
Cuba	1.00
Mexico	.1155
Peru	.0500
Uruguay	.4225
Venezuela	.2005
FAR EAST	
India	.2083
Pakistan	.2030
Hongkong	.1760
Indonesia	.3040
Singapore	.3270
Japan	360 yen to US$1

—United Press.

Oil Agreement Signed

Bagdad, Feb. 7.

Abdul Majid Mahmoud, Iraqi Minister of Economics, today signed the recently reached oil agreement between the Iraq Government and the Iraqi Petroleum Company, under which the Government and the Iraqi Petroleum Company will share profits equally.

The new agreement will be submitted to Parliament for ratification on Saturday.—Reuter.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET

(From Our Correspondent)

Business done on the Stock Exchange this morning was valued at $904,325. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:—

SHARES	BUYERS	SELLERS	SALES
BANKS			
HK Bank	1500	1597½	10 @ 1600 8 @ 1600 50 @ 1595
INSURANCES			
Union	790		
Underwriters	5.10		
DOCKS, ETC.			
K. Wharf	106		
N. Pt. Wharf	7	7¼	1500 @ 7.10
Dock			2000 @ 10
			500 @ 10.25
Provident	14.00		
S'hai Dock	2.35	2½	500 @ 2.30 100 @ 2.25 7100 @ 2.25
Wheelock	42½	43	100 @ 42½ 800 @ 42¾ 500 @ 42½
LAND, ETC.			
HK Hotel	8.80	8.90	700 @ .01½ 4000 @ 8¾ 5500 @ 9. 1000 @ 8.90 1000 @ 8.70 500 @ 8.80 3000 @ 8.90 500 @ 9. 1500 @ 8.90 1500 @ 8.85 500 @ 8.90 500 @ 8.85 3800 @ 8.80 1200 @ 8.90 2500 @ 8.85
HK Land	67½	68¾	
S'hai Land	1.45		
Humphreys		14¾	
UTILITIES			
Trams	17.05	17.60	4000 @ 17.70
Star Ferry	119		100 @ 119 100 @ 120
C. Light (O)	8.70	8.80	500 @ 8.80
C. Light (N)	6	6.20	500 @ 6
Electric	23½	23¾	1500 @ 23¾
Elec. (Bonus)	22	22¼	1200 @ 22¼ 1000 @ 22.
			700 @ 22.10
Telephone	17	17½	500 @ 17.25
INDUSTRIALS			
Cement	16.10	16½	200 @ 16.50 1000 @ 16.25
Rope		24½	
STORES, ETC.			
Dairy	20	20½	800 @ 20¼
Watson	20½		400 @ 20½ 300 @ 20¾ 6400 @ 20.55
J. Crawford	35½		
Emporium	13		700 @ 13
COTTONS			
Ewo	2.70	3	1000 @ 3
MISCELLANEOUS			
Entertainment	20		
Yangtsze	4.10		

LONDON TIN MARKET

London, Feb. 7.

Prices of tin were steady at the lower levels this morning. Turnover was 70 tons, including five tons for cash.

Prices closed at the end of the official morning session as follows:—

Spot tin, buyers	906
Spot tin, sellers	907½
Business done at	906
Three-months tin, buyers	905
Three-months tin, sellers	907½
Business done at	907½-905
Settlement	906

—United Press.

New York Sugar Futures

New York, Feb. 7.

World sugar futures closed lower today with sales totalling 142 contracts. Prices closed as follows:—

Contract No. 4 (world)

March	4.40 bid
May	4.42 bid
July	4.43 bid
September	4.40
November	4.40 nominal
Spot	4.40

—United Press.

Weekly Bank Statements

London, Feb. 7.

The Bank of England statement for the week ending February 6 reads as follows:—

Notes in circulation	£1,357,649,000
Public deposits	27,672,000
Private deposits	373,353,000
Government securities	327,213,000
Other securities	37,023,000
Receipts	44,278,000
Bank ratio	11.0

—United Press.

BANK OF FRANCE

Paris, Feb. 7.

The Bank of France statement for the week ending January 31 reads as follows:—

	Frs.
Total gold holdings	101,446,670,026
Total of other currencies	3,729,040,712
Sight balance abroad	20,517,184,836
Advance to currency stabilisation fund	40,500,000,000
Bills discounted in France and abroad	768,877,907,842
Notes in circulation	1,866,602,965,350
Current accounts & deposits	163,018,063,677

—United Press.

JAPANESE BONDS

London, Feb. 7.

Japanese bonds	
"A" (4s. of 1899)	63½
"B" (4s. of 1910)	69¼
"C" (5s. of 1907)	102¼
"D" (5s. of 1934)	70½
"E" (5½s. of 1934)	121
Consols	61⅞

—United Press.

Cotton Price In New York

New York, Feb. 7.

Prices of cotton futures closed today as follows:—

Spot	42.07 nominal
March	—
May	—
July	40.47-40.50
October	37.01
December	37.32
March (1953)	37.19 nominal
May	—
July	36.59 b/d

—United Press.

NEW ORLEANS MARKET

Spot	41.55
March	41.03
May	—
July	—
October	37.56 bid
December	37.13-37.28
March (1953)	37.13 bid
May	36.93 bid
July	36.45 bid

—United Press.

Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local unofficial exchange market this morning at the following rates:—

U.S. dollar (per $1)	6.715
Sterling notes (per £1)	15.26
Indonesia guilders (per 100)	2.307
Siam ticals (per 100)	27.50
Singapore (Straits)	1.73
PIC piastres (per 100)	12.475

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†"MORTAIN"	Mar. 6	Mar. 7	N. Africa & Europe
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British Policy For Malaya

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continuing part to play in the life of the country.

"Communist terrorism is retarding the political advancement and economic development of the country and the welfare of its people.

"Your preliminary task in Malaya must, therefore, be the restoration of law and order and other matters so that this barrier to progress may be removed.

Without victory and the state of law and order which it alone can bring, there can be no freedom from fear, which is the first human liberty.

"Furthermore, your task not only will fulfil the normal function of a High Commissioner, but you will assume complete operational command over all armed forces assigned to you. You will be empowered to issue operational orders to commanders without reference to the Commander-in-Chief, Far East.

"You should establish the closest consultation between yourself and the Commander-in-Chief, Far East, in matters of common concern.

"You may assure the Malayan peoples of all communities that they can count on the powerful and continuing assistance of His Majesty's Government not only in the immediate task of defeating the terrorists but in the longer team objective of forming a United Malayan nation.

His Majesty's Government will not lay aside their responsibilities in Malaya until they are satisfied that Communist terrorism had been defeated and that the partnership of all communities, which alone can lead to a true self government, has been firmly established." — France-Presse.

POSTPONED

The Diocesan Boys' and Girls' Schools announced this morning that the Gilbert and Sullivan operetta "Pirates of Penzance," due to be opened tonight, has been postponed because of the death of the King.

The resignation of Lt Wu Fu-kun from the Royal Hongkong Defence Force, Intelligence Unit, has been approved.

$11,623,724 Surplus Last Oct.

Revenue for October of last year exceeded expenditure by $11,623,724, according to official figures published in today's Gazette.

The general revenue balance as at October 31, 1951 amounted to $258,249,743, which was $10,949,993 more than the estimated revenue for the 1951-52 financial year.

General revenue in October totalled $28,135,404 while expenditure amounted to $16,511,-080.

Main sources of revenue were $7,157,166 from inland revenue; $6,583,663 from duties; $6,139,030 from rates; $1,795,350 from fees of Court or Office; $1,479,364 from land rents, etc; $1,211,202 from the Post Office and $1,069,701 from licences, fees and forfeitures.

Land sales produced a further $30,716.

The six principal items of expenditure were: Miscellaneous services $2,466,123; Police Force $1,914,940; subventions $1,664,-239; public works non-recurrent $1,327,096; Medical Department $1,312,950; public works recurrent $1,254,225.

Government Appointments

The following Government appointments were announced in the Gazette this morning:—

Dr the Hon. K. C. Yeo to be Director of Medical and Health Services.

Mr R. Winter to be a Deputy Registrar of the Supreme Court.

Miss Kathleen Marley to act as Matron, Grade II.

Mr Cheung Shiu-kwai to be an Assistant Master, Education Department.

Mr Wan Iu-shing to be an Official Justice of the Peace.

$50 FINE FOR FALSE REPORT

For making a false report to the Police, a 17-year-old apprentice, Wong Hau-lun, was fined $50 by Mr Poon Yan-hoi at Central this morning.

At 5.10 p.m. on February 3 Wong reported to the Police that six Chinese snatched $75 from him while he was walking along Queen's Central. Enquiries revealed that defendant lost the money in a game of chess.

SPECIAL PURCHASES

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featuring lastword new silhouettes "FIRST" seen in Hongkong. Instead of ripping backs and square shoulders, they portray "THE WHIRLING SIDES" and "THE ROUND SHOULDERS" — even in rainwear also just unpacked. This year happens to have a leap fifth moon, so Hongkong is going to have a long spring of cold months. It is imperative that you should have a warm, smart, sophisticated woollen coat or topper for evening wear, a lovely imported fur coat or topper or stole to atop your strapless gown. MODE ELITE'S timely special purchases of such important garments will not only supply your cold season requirements but actually save you "ONE THIRD OF YOUR GOOD CLOTHES BILLS" because Mode Elite, by remarkable experience in better merchandizing, has succeeded in having air-delivered here a superb new collection of above finer garments at ONE THIRD LESS at wholesale.

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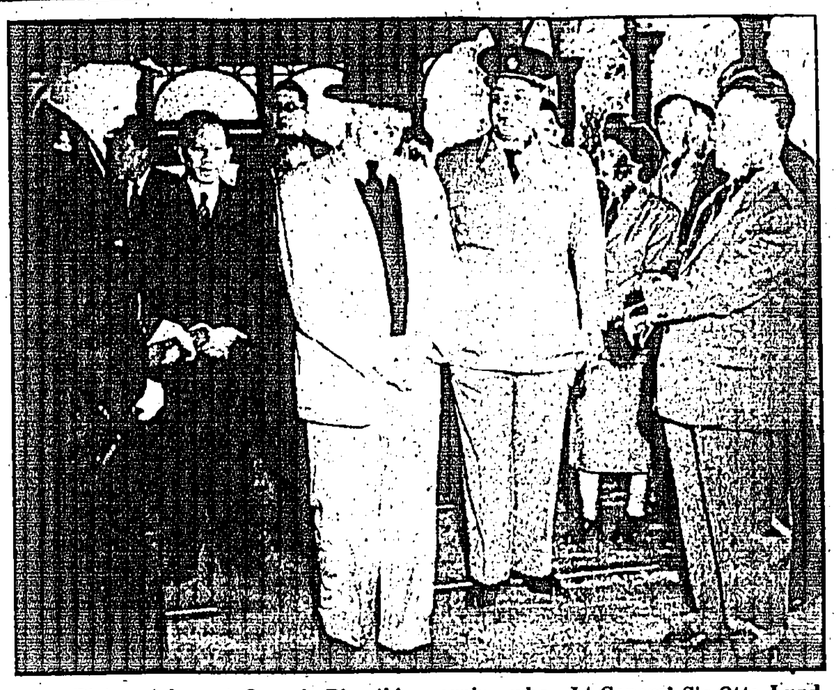
St. John Ambulance Brigade Chief Arrives In H.K.



Picture taken at Queen's Pier this morning when Lt-General Sir Otto Lund, Commander-in-Chief of the St John Ambulance Brigade, arrived in Hongkong on an official visit. With Sir Otto, centre in civilian clothes, are Mr D. W. MacIntosh, Mr A. el Arculli and other members of St John Ambulance Brigade.—Staff Photographer.

Airport Welcome

Lieut. General Sir Otto Lund, KCB, DSO, Commander-in-Chief of St John Ambulance Brigade at Home and Overseas arrived this morning by air for a short visit.

The General was welcome at the airport by Mr D.W. MacIntosh, Commissioner of Police and the St John Ambulance Brigade in Hongkong, Mr D.A.R. Colbourne, (ASP), A.D.C. to His Excellency the Governor, Mr A.J.R. Moss, Director of Civil Aviation, Brig. R.D. Boulton (CRA), Brig. J.M. Hailey, DSO, (CRA), Mr F.S. Coote, Divisional Manager of Cable and Wireless, Far East, who is the chairman of the local Council of St John Ambulance Brigade, Superintendent of Police Mr P.I.M. Irwin (Commanding Officer of Kowloon and the New Territories), and Mr D.B. Smith, Divisional Superintendent of Police, Kowloon City.

The party left by launch for Hongkong.

Rent Control Committee Appointed

The members of the Committee appointed to enquire into and make recommendations on questions of rent control were announced in the Gazette this morning.

The committee, which consists of a Chairman and three members, consists of Mr John McNeill KC (Chairman), Mr T. A. Martin, Mr Lee Wai-tong and Mr F. Shanks (Secretary).

The Committee's terms of reference are:—

"To enquire into and make recommendations:

(a) as to whether it is advisable to exempt from the control of the Landlord and Tenant Ordinance any class of business or domestic premises;

(b) as to whether further increases in standard rent of—(i) business premises, and (ii) domestic premises, should be sanctioned and if so in what amounts or percentages and with what if any exceptions and limitations;

(c) on the proposed amendments to the existing law contained in the Landlord and Tenant (Amendment) Bill, 1952;

(d) on such other amendments to the Landlord and Tenant Ordinance which may appear to be desirable."

The Hon. C.E.M. Terry, Mr A.W. Hay-Edie and Mr A.D. Tarr have been appointed members of the Port Executive Committee.

Compulsory Service Tribunal Hears Three Appeals

The first Compulsory Service Tribunal since the official call-up commenced was held in the Supreme Court this morning presided over by Mr Justice Gould with whom sat Mr N. V. A. Croucher and Mr Kwok Chan, as Assessors.

Michael Lau, of 457 Lockhart Road, who is a clerk in the Inland Revenue Department, was allowed his appeal against allocation to the Royal Hongkong Defence Force and the Tribunal posted him to the Essential Services Corps in substitution.

Lau, in evidence, said that he was a conscientious objector because he was a Roman Catholic but he was willing to serve in some other sphere.

Mr Justice Gould: There are many persons who go into various branches of the Army who never killed anyone before and hope they won't have to kill anyone, and many of these, I think, are Catholic. You don't claim that it is one of your principles of religion that you cannot take life?

Lau replied that it was not exactly that but his own conscience did not allow him to kill.

He was supporting his father and mother and had three brothers in Hongkong, where he (Lau) was born.

After a brief retirement, Mr Croucher, giving the decision of the Tribunal, said: I am of opinion that the applicant should be transferred to Essential Services.

Mr Kwok Chan agreed.

BUSINESS REASON

In another case, Kwok Tin-chi, manager and proprietor of the Paramount Advertising Company for the past five years, objected to being allocated to the Hongkong Defence Force because his nature of business was different from any other business.

Kwok told the Tribunal that he was the sole contact between customers and contractors and he had a staff of nine who were employed as artists, painters, typists and salesmen. When asked if his business was profitable, Kwok replied, that he had suffered a loss last year and had had to reduce the number of employees from 16 to nine.

Replying to Mr Justice Gould, the applicant said that the real hardship in serving in the Defence Force would be two weeks in camp. He had intended to join the Police Reserve when he received his call-up notice.

Mr V. F. Clarke, Assistant Director of Manpower, informed the Tribunal that the Director felt that individuals were bound to suffer some hardship to a greater or lesser degree. The Commissioner of Police had been requested not to accept applicants for the Police Reserve or the Special Constabulary. All applications had to be channelled through the department of the Director of Manpower, said Mr Clarke.

It was pointed out that training in the Home Guard was essentially the same as in the RHKDF but that the Home Guard were only required to do three days' camp annually.

After consultation with the Assessors, Mr Justice Gould told Kwok that they had taken note of the assurance by the representative of the Director of Manpower that the Home Guard were only required to do three days' camp.

The Tribunal, therefore, recommended that the applicant be transferred to the Home Guard but without interference with the other part of his training.

RELIGION FORBIDS

Peter Chui, a clerk in the Urban Council, who also objected to serving in the Defence Force, declared, on oath, that he was a Buddhist and this religion forbade killing. He said he observed all the Buddhist observances and on the first and 15th of each month he and his family fasted.

Replying to the Chairman, Chui said that he was a member of the HKRNVR both before and after the war. He only joined because of being in financial straits and because it was so difficult to obtain work in commercial firms.

Chui added that his superior, Mr J. G. Hooper, had instructed Urban Council employees to join the Health Essential Service in case of any emergency.

Mr Croucher: My opinion is that the application be disallowed.

Mr Kwok Chan concurred.

Mr Justice Gould: The evidence of the objector is not sufficient to establish that he is a sufficient conscientious objector to this type of service and the objection is, therefore, not sustained.

EXPIRED LICENCE

For failing to renew his licence, Leung On, 31, fisherman, of sampan 4880Y, was fined $20 by Mr W. Sprague at the Marine Court this morning. Defendant's licence expired last June.

"It's cheaper to renew your licence," remarked the Magistrate.

Proclamation Of Accession At 11 a.m. In HK Tomorrow

Plans For The Ceremony

The Proclamation of the Accession of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Second to the Throne will be read by His Excellency the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, from a specially constructed dais in front of the Cenotaph facing the Supreme Court at 11 o'clock tomorrow morning, according to an official release from the Government Public Relations Office.

Supporting the Governor will be the Commander, British Forces, Lt-General Sir Terence Airey, the Honourable the Chief Justice, Sir Gerard Howe, Members of the Executive and Legislative Councils, and other leading citizens who have signed the Proclamation together with His Excellency the Governor.

Detachments drawn from the Royal Navy, the Army and the Royal Air Force, as well as a military band, will be in attendance.

When His Excellency has read the Proclamation, the command Royal Salute will be given. The Services detachment will Present Arms, the band will play the National Anthem, and a salute of 21 guns will be fired by ships of the Royal Navy and by shore batteries of the Royal Artillery.

Full details of facilities for the public, traffic arrangements, etc., will be announced throughout today by Radio Hongkong and Rediffusion and will also be published in morning newspapers tomorrow.

An extraordinary meeting of Legislative Council has been called for this afternoon.

At this meeting, His Excellency the Governor will move a resolution expressing the sympathy of the people of Hongkong with the Royal Family in their bereavement.

The resolution will be seconded by the senior Unofficial Member of the Legislative Council, the Hon. T. N. Chau, CBE.

Also present at this meeting, by special invitation, will be the Honourable the Chief Justice, those members of Executive Council who are not also members of Legislative Council, and Sir Robert Ho Tung, Sir Chouson Chow, Dr L. T. Ride and Mr J. H. Ruttonjee, CBE.

Fishermen Forfeit Bail

The $50 bail each put up by two fishermen, Pang Lo and Pang Shui, was ordered to be estreated by Mr W. Sprague at the Marine Court this morning when they failed to appear to answer a charge of unlawful dredging in the harbour yesterday.

Sub-Inspector Blackhurst said that yesterday afternoon defendants were seen in their sampan off Cust Rock using grappling hooks and dredging for scrap iron from the sea bed. On board their sampan, 5110S, was a small amount of scrap metal.

Queen's Sad Homecoming

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know this was Clarence House. A few typists had slipped out.

At three minutes past five, just half an hour after her plane had landed, the Royal Standard fluttered to the masthead above Clarence House for the first time as the new Queen swept up the drive of her own personal home that she has so much enjoyed in the company of her young husband.

An eyewitness tells me the little crowd was overcome with gratitude. The girl we cannot yet think of as Queen looked ashen-pale, with a dash of scarlet at her lips strikingly bright. She had the heart to wave—a small timid wave, to the waiting crowd.

MOUNIER FROM RADIO HK

Mme Germaine Mounier, the celebrated French pianist, who visited the Colony and gave recitals in February and March last year, will broadcast a special programme from Radio Hongkong studios tonight at 8.15.

She will play Beethoven's Moonlight Sonata, Gabriel Faure's Nocturne No. 6 and Chopin's Third Scherzo.

No Change On War Front

Tokyo, Feb. 8.

General Ridgway's Headquarters said today there was "not much change" on the Korean battle front.

An Eighth Army communique on developments in the past 24 hours reported nothing new besides four small Communist probes beaten off by Allied troops.

Far East Air Force Superfort pilots, returning from a night strike against Sinanju rail bridges, said they ran into flak and Communist night fighters, but that the Communist planes did not attack them.

United Nations Naval Headquarters announced that Communist small arms fire hit four Allied carrier planes during attacks on the North Korean railroad system, but said all planes got back safely to their floating bases.

An Eighth Army briefing officer said that South Korean army units, sweeping through guerilla redoubts in the southwest Korean Chiri mountains, reported they killed 12 and captured nine guerillas yesterday.—Reuter.

Prison For Pickpocket

Ip Kwok-hung, 22, a returned banishee with two previous convictions for the same offence was sentenced to one year by Mr Poon Yan-hoi when he pleaded guilty to stealing a pen.

Defendant bumped into Shan Kam-sang, while walking along Wing Lok Street yesterday, and at the same time picked the pen from complainant's pocket.

Living Language

Why we say All boloney.

This Americanism has the same root as the English word for a type of sausage, poloni, for both come from Bologna, in Italy, where such sausages were made of mixed-up meat stuffed into a casing. "All boloney" is a story that's all mixed-up and stuffed into the listener.

Mail Notices

Latest times of posting at G.P.O. and at Kowloon Post Office; registered articles and parcel mails close one hour earlier than the ordinary mail times shown below:

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8th
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Formosa, Okinawa, 5 p.m., H.K.A./N.W.A.L.
N. Borneo, Australia, New Zealand, 5 p.m., Q.E.A.
Malaya, Indonesia, Ceylon, India, 5 p.m., B.O.A.C.
Philippines, Guam, Hawaii, U.S.A., Canada, 5 p.m., P.A.L.
Siam, 5 p.m., P.C.A.S.
By Surface
Macao, 12.30 p.m.; 6 p.m., s/s Tak Shing/Fatshan.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9th
By Air
Siam, Malaya, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand, (Via Bangkok) Burma, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain, Europe, 11.30 a.m., Via B.O.A.C.
U.S.A., Canada, 2 p.m., P.A.A.
Japan, 5 p.m., B.O.A.C.
Indo-China, France, French North & West Africa, 5 p.m., Air France.
By Surface
Macao, 12.30 p.m.; 6 p.m., s/s Tak Shing/Fatshan.
China, People's Republic, 8.30 a.m.; 5 p.m. train via Canton.
Malaya, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Noon, ss Tjitjalengka.
Formosa, 9 a.m. ss Wing Sang.
Burma, India, 2 p.m. ss Bradeverett.
Japan, 2 p.m. ss Hermelin.
Philippines, 2 p.m., s/s Tomar.

INTELLIGENCE TEST SOLUTION

Suppose the men can be chosen in m ways, the women in n ways. Then m x n = 60.

Both m and n represent the number of possible selections of two from some larger number. I.e., they are members of the series 1, 3, 6, 10, 15 . . .

Hence there are either five married couples and one bachelor (m = 6; n = 10), or four married couples and three bachelors (m = 10; n = 6). But we know that there are two bachelors at least.

Three of the Cronies are bachelors.

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CHECK YOUR KNOWLEDGE

Answers

1. Tentacle. 2. As chief sanitary officer he established and maintained remarkably healthful conditions for the workers. 3. A plane figure having seven sides and seven angles. 4. The Citadel at Charleston, S. C. 5. A machine lever. 6. Alabama.

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